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Dear Parent / Carers,

Update 17th April 2020 Update

This is an update in order to ensure that we are keeping you informed of school actions and our expectations whilst providing the guidance and support available to you.

I do hope that your families have remained in good health over the Easter break and that you are coping with the challenge of the national restrictions. We have had the good fortune of sunny and dry weather and this has helped with making the most of the outdoors and trying to keep some sort semblance of normality for resting, working and exercising.

For today's latest update from the Department of Education (DfE) please click on this link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers>

The summer term has begun and so teachers and staff will again begin to set tasks and challenges for your children to do each week and they will again be available by email for important communication where needed. The office will again be available for emergency contact – they are still remote and not in the school building so contact them via the usual email address Office1@wallacefields-jun.surrey.sch.uk

As was stated in the previous update and in the government (DfE) update sent to you, you as parents are not expected to replicate school at home but to create time for some directed learning at home. A few hours of focused learning, to be mixed in with physical exercise and creative fun, and reading, which is not solely dependent on computer based activities.

The teachers have enjoyed seeing the activities and tasks completed by the children but please do remember that many of the tasks do not have to be sent in and teachers will not be formally assessing or marking the completed tasks. Thank you for sending us the pictures though and well done to all those children who are fully engaging with the fun activities and ideas being set up.

The children will be accessing the Times Tables Rock Stars, Spelling Shed, and Mathletics and of course they need to be reading quality texts regularly. Teachers will continue to provide differentiated tasks for your child's home learning and this will include additional tasks within these platforms for those who want to go for the higher strata of challenge. Please do not email unless it is completely necessary and now that access to these online platforms have been sorted out over the last four weeks, do take care entering passwords when going online.

Thank you again for your ongoing support, positivity, and patience with your own children and I hope you all stay safe and well. Kindest regards,

Steve Lee, HEAD TEACHER

