Dear Parents/Carers,

As you are all aware, things are changing hour by hour but we wanted to give you an update on what we are planning to do for the children at Plumpton School.

Provision of School Work

At present, lessons are continuing as normal and the children still need to continue with school work as much as possible during the planned closure. In order for this to happen we will be sending home work-packs tomorrow which will give them activities to work on next week. Inside the packs will be an explanation of what children in each year group are expected to be able to do AT THE END of each academic year. All of our pupils would benefit from learning spellings from the lists for each school year, times tables practise, learning to tell the time and of course, daily reading. If your child/children are not in school due to illness please collect your packs from the school office on Friday, 20th March.

Teachers will provide links to websites that we use in school as well as online resources which you will be able to access via Tapestry for Class 1 and See-Saw for classes 2, 3 and 4. The teachers will regularly update with new activities each week and will still be in school if you need to speak directly with them on the telephone.

School Hubs for Essential Workers

We appreciate that for many of you your work is going to be significantly disrupted by this and the government have issued a questionnaire which we urge you to complete as soon as possible to assess whether or not your child/children will be able to access one of the hub schools. Details of these have not yet been released but it is likely that they will be in areas where demand is greatest. Please complete the form by going to https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/BMQHDGY. If this link does not work please type into your browser.

Reporting on Progress

We are aware that some of you signed up to meet with teachers to discuss your child’s/children’s progress last Tuesday but were unable to come into school. We intend to send out the usual termly progress report after the Easter holiday but in the meantime, if you would like to speak to the class teacher, please contact the school office NEXT WEEK to arrange a telephone interview. Termly progress reports will be emailed out to you. If you need a paper copy posting this can be arranged.
Re-Scheduling of Events

Many events have had to be postponed as a result of the current situation but as far as possible, few have had to be cancelled. Last week saw our success in the Northern Finals for the football and we will be representing the north of England at Birmingham City’s ground. The date was to be the 16th May but it is likely that this will now change. Class 3 were due to go to Kingswood Residential Centre next week. This has been re-booked for the 9th September. Any other events, including sports competitions and transition events will still be taking place once we return to school.

Finally, these are uncertain times for all of us. We aim to help you as much as possible with support for you children and will be available to answer questions via telephone and email. Any updates will be posted on the school’s website.

May I take this opportunity to thank you for your cooperation and understanding at this difficult time and I look forward to welcoming you all back in the very near future.

Yours sincerely,

S. L Penny

Head teacher