



St. Lawrence CE Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Friday 1st May 2020

As the days have crept into weeks it is hard to believe we have approached the end of yet another month. Yesterday, it seemed fitting that the end of the month was marked by Captain (Colonel) Tom Moore's 100th birthday and I am sure you will all agree that his strength of character and determination truly epitomises what is great in the world! The sunny, warm days of April have been a blessing and I know from the evidence on SeeSaw that you have been making most of outdoor learning opportunities and having lots of fun too! I have been fascinated to see your creative approaches to shared learning and the lovely experiences that the children are having whilst at home. We will all have such a lot to talk about when we meet again!

Through the use of online learning children are using tablets, iPads and computers more frequently so I would ask you to be even more vigilant with what they are accessing and make yourself aware of Internet Safety guidance which will protect you and your children, I include a link to a parent page from the Association of Adult and Child Online Safety Specialists (AACOSS) which is worth looking at as it gives you a selection of links you can browse through. The content is aimed at information for parents and not for children to access, although there is a brief video on Covid-19 that could be shared with your child under your supervision. Please visit <http://aacoss.org/parents/> for additional information.

Amanda Philipson, the Lifelong Learning Manager, from the Ironbridge Gorge Museum Trust, has been in contact to make schools and parents aware of the 'Museum from Home' section of the website as it includes many resources that may aid home learning. She would also like to make parents aware of the story writing competition that is running. Please find details of this at the following address <https://www.ironbridge.org.uk/museum-from-home/story-writing-competition/> Having worked with Amanda on a number of projects recently I know that she is extremely passionate about teaching and learning and places the children at the heart of everything she does, so it will definitely be worth a look!

We would also like to make you aware that Wrekin View Primary School situated in North Road Wellington has opened a 'Community Fridge' which is essentially a local food bank. If you know of any families that would benefit from some of the provisions or you can provide any provisions yourself please contact Wrekin View School on 01952 388088. I am sure you will agree this is a really charitable gesture and shows great community spirit.

Many thanks for the photographs you have sent in to show your home learning. Please keep them coming in so they can be shared. It was really lovely to see Missy this week on the front page of the Shropshire Star with her wonderful chalked rainbow supporting the NHS, absolutely wonderful! The words 'As the people stayed apart the world came together' seem very apt to end this week's newsletter.

Stay safe and look after one another.

Mrs Alison Moore

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