

Week ending 15th January 2021

Welcome to the first 'real' addition of Lockdown News! All of my correspondence so far seems to have been very reactive to the things flying in at us from above! This morning was rather eventful as all of the padlocks had frozen! A big thanks to Mr Raybould whose superman powers managed to get the nursery gate open which meant that we could actually get the children onto site!

Remote Learning

This week we have begun to settle into the 'new' timetable. To be honest engagement has been phenomenal, nearly all children have engaged with their teacher and from brief feedback from the teachers, it is going OK. As always with technology we have had some technical issues! Year 1 and the sound is on the radar and we finally managed to switch to our new broadband provider last night so are hoping that this will help. We need your help though, we really want feedback on what's going right and wrong. Please send any comments through to myself at <u>enquiries@prestonprimary.co.uk</u> I can honestly say we are trying our best in a very strange time!

Critical Worker

A big thankyou to all of those people who have worked with us to reduce the numbers on site and ony use on the days you are working, this really does help with the rate of community transmission

Well done Assembly

From next week, Monday 18th January I am going to do our weekly well done assembly featuring the return of the rainbow rewards at 11am on TEAMS – this invite will be pushed out to you all.

Assessments

You may have seen in the press this week that the government have announced that they have removed the assessments in Year 1, Year 2 and Year 6, they haven't told us about Early Years yet. This means nothing different for your children really day to day, assessment is an integral part of our curriculum delivery so we know what they can and can't do and plan to move them forward. The Year 6 children will not now sit the external tests but we will still inform you as we do currently where they are working and what their next steps are.

Year 2 children

Any child in Year 2 had to take their phonics test in the Autumn Term. We did complete all of these before we had to close and we will write to Y2 parents shortly with the results of these.

And finally

I am someone who loves sayings and images and I am going to try and find an uplifting image or saying each week to add to the newsletter, if you are not as cheesy as me I apologise you can stop reading now ⁽²⁾

So it is Friday evening, we have made it, let's hold on together but right now hold onto a glass of something and raise it high in the air and cheers yourself for all of the multitasking you have had to do this week. Thankyou for being fabulous.

Sue Richardson – Headteacher



- This storm is making me tired," said the boy
- "Storms get tired too," said the horse," so hold on."



