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## 23rd April 2020 Newsletter

Dear Parents & Carers,

The staff team and I hope that you and your families continue to be safe and well during this uncertain time. We hope that your children are all enjoying their unexpected time at home and that you are all managing your own workloads within this. For those of you working in frontline services, we thank you all.

As you will know from my previous letters, our own school site is currently closed to pupils but the staff team and I continue to provide care for children from our temporary base at Cranham School on a rota system, where we provide joint child care across the schools for keyworker and vulnerable children. I would like to thank my staff team for continuing to provide high quality care for these children during this time. If you do qualify for keyworker care and have not yet needed to take this up but find that in coming weeks you do need to access provision, then do please contact us.

Google Classrooms has just completed its first 'live' week! Thank you to all those who have accessed this facility so far - which is the vast majority of pupils. At the time of writing this newsletter 50 children out of 67 have accessed this platform for the setting and sharing of work. Thank you also to those who have given us feedback or asked questions so far - we're very happy to hear from you to try and resolve problems and also find out what it working well as this is new learning for us all. By Monday you'll see the next set of work uploaded for you to access. Please bear in mind my previous letter about this work needing to fit in with your family circumstances, we really don't want anyone to feel stressed about school work. Staff are happy to answer any questions about work or to offer help or advice, so please do contact them when you need to. At the bottom of this newsletter are important reminders about online safety. Please take the time to read this and access some of the resources.

The Choose Your Own Adventure book 'Quest for the Golden Sheep' that the children have created as a whole school is coming along well and is certainly keeping Mrs Turner busy putting it all together so that the different 'paths' all work as they should. This is a mammoth undertaking and we are really appreciative of her commitment to this project! I've had a sneak preview of the draft cover that the children created with artist Tracey Spiers and it looks amazing!

Last week primary school places were allocated for Reception entry for September this year. We are delighted once again to have a full cohort of 10 children Reception age children due to join us in September. Many are already in Little Lambs or are known to us, plus a few new families will also be joining our school. Our welcome packs are just being updated and will soon be sent out to parents. We would also like to welcome Emily and her family to our school, Emily joined us in Year 2 shortly before we had to close. We hope they will all be very happy here when we return!

'An inspirational setting where all children flourish' what more could we say?

Stay safe and well,  
 Mrs Barron

### Children and online safety away from school

Your children should not be interacting online with anyone without your knowledge or permission. Any websites that they access should be checked first by yourselves as parents. If you do decide to supplement the school online teaching offer from Google Classrooms with support from online companies, websites, youtube videos (or similar) or personal tutors please ensure this comes from a reputable organisation/individual who can provide evidence that they are safe and can be trusted to have access to children.

If there are concerns about online safety that you or your child come across online, then please report back these to school. You should also use the links below for age appropriate practical support and knowledge of how to report and safety and online abuse issues:

- [Childline](#) - for support
- [UK Safer Internet Centre](#) - to report and remove harmful online content
- [CEOP](#) - for advice on making a report about online abuse

Further support for you to keep your children safe online can be accessed from websites such as those listed below:

- [Internet matters](#) - for support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online
- [London Grid for Learning](#) - support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online
- [Net-aware](#) - for support for parents and carers from the NSPCC
- [Parent info](#) - for support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online
- [Thinkuknow](#) - for advice from the National Crime Agency to stay safe online
- [UK Safer Internet Centre](#) - advice for parents and carers

We recommend that you look at one or more of these to ensure that you are able to keep your children safe online at home. The links in these lists were provided as part of Government advice to schools to share with parents and children.



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