

DAILY UPDATE

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SANDY'S DAILY MESSAGE

Day 8 and I have to advise that I am now running the school on a remote basis, as a member of my own family developed flu symptoms over the weekend.

Thankfully, even in self isolation with the family, I have managed to have a video conference call with Sue D, Nic and Sue R, who of course, have things in hand and are overseeing the school well with our skeleton staff. Thanks to technology, I am working as normal, albeit from home and not from my school office.

It's good to hear that some of you are calling the office for support and suggestions re additional activities to do at home, and do remember we have the mobile number available for emergencies: 07436 364907.

Keep well.

Sandy

ACTIVITIES / LINKS THAT MIGHT BE HELPFUL

The Gina Davies Autism Centre are producing lots of fantastic videos on Facebook and You Tube for Attention Autism. Some really lovely stuff around all aspects of the Coronavirus which could really help the children cope with all their understanding, change and anxiety. Parents can easily find them on both platforms just search for Gina Davies Autism Centre.

A Creative Arts Therapist that Selina, one of our speech and language therapists works with has produced some great stuff for home too. Although it may be a bit advanced for lots of our pupils, there may be some who would like it www.catcorner.co.uk

Molly Watts, an intensive care nurse at Southampton Children's Hospital, wrote the online picture book "Dave the Dog Is Worried About Coronavirus" after a nightshift last week.

The free book has already been downloaded 15,000 times and some schools have shared the link with parents.

Ms Watts said she wanted to give children "information without fear". It is a lovely story.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-hampshire-51997381>

WHAT'S EVERYONE BEEN UP TO?

Staying indoors is hard for everyone, but our pupils and families are ever resourceful!



Olivia painted a most beautiful rainbow, that is now prominently displayed in her window at home. Jo, her Mum is finding her hobby of knitting and crocheting is really therapeutic during these times.



Aaron has been cooking again and on this occasion made a batch of cakes for his family to share.



Meanwhile, Alex and his family have been carrying out fingerprinting with a kit they bought. Alex really enjoyed it, but Amanda, his Mum admitted it took them three attempts to work out the best way to do it!

