

Friday 24th April 2020

Dear Families of Brentfield,

I hope you all had a restful Easter break and welcome to our very first remote summer term! There are many confusing reports in the press at the moment about schools re-opening but the government have announced that schools will be closed for at least another two weeks. They have said that children will only return to school when it is safe to do so and at present there are no plans for children to return.

We've all had to adapt to new ways of working, so I wanted to take the opportunity to say what an amazing job you're doing supporting your child's wellbeing and learning during this time.

It's definitely been a strange and challenging time, so it's ok if you and your child feel anxious and worried at the moment. We're here for you every step of the way as we figure this out together. I have asked class teachers to make phone calls to say hello to the children and help with any questions you have around learning. I understand how difficult learning at home can be and I want to reassure you that you are doing a good job; continue doing the best you can.

Remember, if you have any concerns or you need any other support from the school, please let us know by emailing emergency@brentfield.brent.sch.uk

We miss the children very much, but we must follow the government's guidance to keep everyone in our community safe.

I would like to reassure parents and carers whose children are entitled to free school meals that Georgia is working daily with Edenred (the government company providing the vouchers) to ensure that the vouchers are delivered to you via email on time. Unfortunately they are finding it difficult to keep up with demand and this is being addressed at a government level. I am reviewing the situation daily and hope that this is resolved quickly.

I can't say yet when we'll be able to open the school fully, but rest assured we'll continue doing our utmost to keep your child learning and our school community connected.

Please stay safe and keep well.

With very best wishes

Nicola Harmer
Headteacher