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Dear Parents/Carers,

Your incredible engagement in remote learning has continued and the support you have given your children in their learning has ensured they have been able to complete tasks, practise skills and build on prior knowledge. Even though we have now had five weeks of this national lockdown your enthusiasm has not waned and class teachers continue to enjoy the innovative ways you are teaching your children. We now know that schools are extremely unlikely to open to more pupils before 8th March so we are focused on improving current provision for all our learners while we wait for the government to make further announcements on their plans to fully reopen schools.

Thank you for taking time to complete the parental survey on our remote learning provision. I have passed on the kind comments you made about individual staff. Some of you indicated that a barrier to remote learning was your child's motivation. Please be assured that if this is the case your families must be working exceptionally hard to produce the quantity and quality of learning that class teachers are seeing. One person mentioned that access to a laptop was a barrier. Please would they contact the school as we would like to help with this. Three or four parents asked for live lessons. Currently we have a limited number of live lessons taking place as we are relying on using parents' email addresses. The offer of live sessions has been made to all families. However, we should have a live lesson timetable organised for after half term if all goes according plan and the children's logins are set up next week. Your responses to the parental survey are to help us improve and meet the needs of all our families. If you have any further comments or if you think you raised an issue that has not been addressed please do not hesitate to email admin@greatwaldingfield.suffolk.sch.uk

Thank you all for embracing Children's Mental health week so enthusiastically. There was a great response to the ELSA Express Yourself Calendar and to a variety of activities from nature walks to lockdown discos! Mrs Sawyer is a trained ELSA (Emotional Literacy Support Assistant) and she is happy for you to contact her if you think she can help your child in any way. admin@greatwaldingfield.suffolk.sch.uk or 01787 374055.



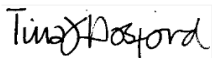
Just a reminder to wear yellow next Wednesday 10th for the Rainbow Reading Challenge. If you are a remote learner, please send a photograph of you in yellow and we will send you your certificate. School based learners should wear yellow for school that day too.

Please would parents who are critical workers confirm their requirements for the first two weeks after half term as soon as possible. To help prevent the spread of COVID-19, follow government guidelines and only send your children to school if it is absolutely necessary. It is also important that you book and pay for Early Birds and T Birds so staffing can be organised.

Wishing you a safe and relaxing weekend with your household or support bubble.

STAY HOME – PROTECT THE NHS – SAVE LIVES

Take care



Tina Hosford
Headteacher

