



PTFA Headteacher's Report

18th March 2021

Troubled and challenging times for all during the pandemic & Lockdown. Well done everyone for managing the situation as best you could...we have all done our best.

From January 2021 until March 7th school was open to Key Worker / Vulnerable children and the rest were at home - all embarked on Home Learning. My thanks to those **staff** who were working so hard at home organising the Home Learning - some juggling their own children's Home Learning. My thanks also to a small number of **staff** who were committed to working with pupils in school. At times, we had all Year groups from Reception up to Year 6 in one double classroom - not easy to juggle!

Thank you to **Sally Haysham** who was at the end of the phone all the time, and able to deal with any issues as they arose, and to **Claire Larcombe** who assisted me buying the Food Hampers for those eligible...not an easy feat with 13 hampers to arrange.

Now we have returned to full school opening, after 9 days, we have all settled back to routines, but with several friendship issues as children re-establish themselves. We all hope things will settle down in the coming weeks, before Easter is upon us and we look towards the Summer Term.

As for the Summer Term, we are likely to restart some clubs, and engage in trips. However, swimming will restart in the Autumn Term.

As for Fund Raising, it is likely we could begin planning an event in July as the Stage 4 may be lifted by then - we will need to be mindful of many other events which will be arranged. A family event on the field with picnics, drinks & some games?

The Summer (May) Fayre will require planning - maybe join both events?
Badgers Class will be performing a play during the final weeks, so will require refreshments etc. Year 6 Leavers' Assembly - at present, it will remain Year 6 families and outside on the playground, but there will be changes to the whole event. Sports Day will also take place.

Thank you
Nick Arnold