



Thursday 2nd April

Dear everyone,

Some notes from week 2

Well done on another successful week! We are able to remotely monitor who is doing work and how much. We are pleased that over 80% are doing so regularly and over 90% in some classes! Please do take time to check the teacher's feedback – 'returned' after 'turning in' as there will be comments and edits.

As this may well extend over a long period we do think it is important that there is an element of 'you have to do something'. If a whole term is missed and you opt not to follow work being set, not only will your child feel disconnected, but starting their new class in September (hoping it doesn't last that long) will be extra hard. Staff are working hard to support technical and hardware issues remotely – please ask for help if this is the issue.

EP will 'close' our virtual classrooms this Friday, and remain closed until Monday 20th April. This will give teachers time to have a break, plan for next term and a chance for you to have a different feel/rhythm to your day and hopefully renewed vigour for next 'term'!

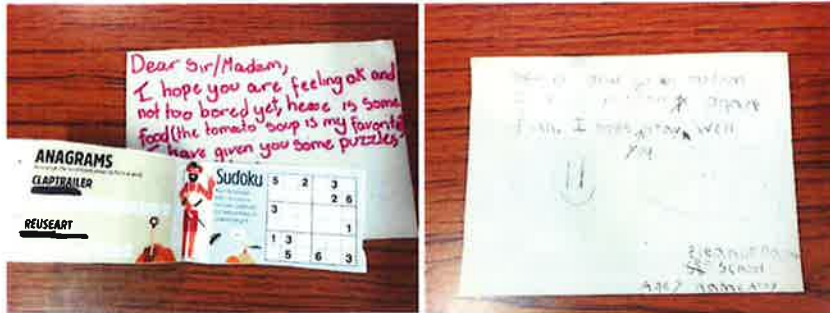
School will remain open for those eligible children throughout the Easter break. All staff are volunteering on a rotation throughout this period.

Congratulations to Miss Thomson, Lawrie (Y3) Luz (Y5), Tanisha (Y6) Kara (Y6) and me - in that order - who top the Times Table Rock Star league. This really is a site worth exploring. Children of all abilities can access, practise and improve their times tables. **You must do 10 'studio sessions' first** in which it assesses what you know/need to work on and this sets your level – and the level of those you can challenge. Having done your studio sessions, you can gain points/fame in the 'Sound Check, Festival and Arena' areas but also do 'Rockslams' where you compete against named others who are at your level. Teachers are in there too and up for a challenge!!!

Staff will continue to call and talk to both you and your child. We are really loving this contact and I hope you find it supportive too. Remember it might say 'unknown number' as staff may be using personal mobiles.



We are still collecting for Age UK. Just buzz and we will let you in to drop off. We had lovely feedback about the letters children wrote to put in the parcels – see our twitter feed. Feel free to drop these in too.



I received the following update from Camden. God forbid you need to use A and E at this time but it seemed important to share.

Changes to the children and young people's emergency department at University College London Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust (UCLH). NB Don't think this includes the Royal Free.

Local hospitals are working to plan ahead and deliver the best possible care to all patients during the coronavirus outbreak. As part of this, the children and young people's emergency department at UCLH has been temporarily diverted to the Whittington Hospital.

From Monday, 30 March, anyone aged under 18 needing care for an accident or an emergency should go to the Whittington Hospital Emergency Department, Magdala Avenue, London, N19 5NF. If people urgently need medical help or advice, but it is not a life-threatening situation, or if they don't know who to ring, they should check NHS 111 online: <https://111.nhs.uk/>

For more information about Whittington Health, please visit whittington.nhs.uk

Transport options to the Whittington Hospital from UCLH: Warren Street, or Euston underground station - Northern Line to Archway Station; 134 bus from Warren Street Tube Station.

I hope you are all well and managing. It has been lovely to see many of you out walking and / or in shop queues! With love and best wishes to you and all your family.

Kate Ford

Do send images of art/models representing 'EP at Home'! Thanks to Emmanuel (aka Freddie Mercury) for today's witty contribution . I've uploaded a blank newsletter border to the Home Learning page on the website if you'd rather do that.