

## Lea Endowed CE Primary School Newsletter No 26 Friday 3rd July 2020

God created you to do amazing things! -Ephesians 2:10

"Let your light shine." Matthew 5:16

## Dear School Family,

We have now had 2 weeks of our Bubble System in school and it is delightful to hear many more children's happy voices in and around school. It never fails to surprise me just how incredibly flexible and resilient our children are.

Those children who have been in school, have coped admirably with all the adjustments and changes to classrooms, staff and new routines. I want to thank them, and the staff, for yet again, being fantastically adaptable. It's been great to see the children's reaction is that, school is still a very happy place to be!

We do still miss all those children who remain at home; your unique smiles and personalities, and different ways of



learning and exploring the world. It's wonderful when we get some contact from home and this week, I had an extra special surprise when Faith, in Year 5, brought the most delicious home-made Red Velvet cake to the school gate. It was absolutely delicious and I feel a Junior Bake-Off candidate in the making!

I'm sure, by now, some of you are really feeling the strain of these challenging weeks, that have turned into months. Let me encourage you to keep going, and know that, whatever help and support you can give to your child, will not go to waste. Just spending time reassuring them that this current situation will not go on forever, is highly valuable. If you or your child are struggling to cope, please don't hesitate to contact me at school, even if it's just for a reassuring chat or a little advice. I can also try to help signpost you to other services, should that be appropriate. We remind the children regularly that "it's ok not to feel ok", sometimes, but we are always there to offer loving support, in the best way we know how. I want you to know that, as parents and carers, you are included in this too! You may be finding that your child is spending more time online. Please can I appeal to you, to check, check, and check again what your child is accessing and who your child is communicating with. Our website has an abundance of advice and support on keeping your child safe online. The Thinkuknow website has a wealth of resources for parents and worksheets for children to help with these challenges.

https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/support-tools/home-activity-worksheets/ and there are Top Tips for Parents on <a href="https://nationalonlinesafety.com/guides">https://nationalonlinesafety.com/guides</a> which has a "What Parents need to know about Screen



Addiction". Remember, less screen time means less exposure to risks – I know you'll agree, our children's lives are so precious!

With love and prayers,

CM Seagrave

