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NEWSLETTER FRIDAY 24th APRIL

Dear Parents, Welcome to our first remote learning summer term!

We hope that you and your families are all keeping safe and well, having been able to relax over the 'Easter break' in some form. I am sure, like me, every corner of your home is now extremely familiar! I hope too, that you have been able to step back from the initial 'panic'/change in lifestyle, and have been able to reach a perspective of calm compromise as you considered 'returning to school' last week. The lovely weather certainly makes the lockdown a little easier doesn't it? Let's hope the sun shines over the next few weeks.

Life at Landscove remains a little odd, but we continue to support those who need us. We have had between 2 and 13 pupils each day over the last two weeks and have been getting to know both Landscove and Broadhempston staff and families much better.

I continue to receive several daily communications from the Local Authority as well as the Department for Education. All local authority services have been working hard to adapt their services to meet need and stay in touch. I also note that the BBC will be broadcasting specific daily on-line lessons from the 20th April. These will not be released until the day but may prove a useful resource for you and your children to use.

HOME LEARNING

We understand that in your own family you may have found or be working to find a routine that works best for your own circumstances. No family should feel additional pressure within their household to keep up with "the curriculum".

You will have noticed some changes to the home learning for classes 2, 3 & 4. We've been listening to you and have tried to make the learning more manageable. Staff have planned and searched for consolidation tasks that are vital to ensure your children are 'school ready' when they return. We hope you'll find these a little more manageable. I love seeing the photos and video clips of learning and creations~



keep them coming as it certainly lifts our spirits!

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Not only are your children doing some home learning, so are the staff! Planning lessons is part of their 'at home' work, but they have also completed safeguarding training, SEND training, taken part in online staff meetings, as well as writing a full set of curriculum documents. And what's next? ...school reports I think!





Mrs Woods practicing reading stories online!

A few of us in an online staff meeting...

CONTACT WITH FAMILIES

It is challenging to ensure you get the information you need and that which we are being asked to send you by outside agencies. Do bear with us; we are trying to get the flow of information right!

All families will receive email/eschools messages or maybe a phone call from their class teachers or me. We'd like to maintain contact, so do say hello as it reassures us that you are all well and managing in these challenging times. Please don't forget you can contact us should you need to do so on <u>adminlandscove@thelink.academy</u> or 01803 762656. Someone is in school every day. We're here to help!

FOLS

We might not all be in school but FOLS are continuing to support us. Huge thanks for agreeing to support our Spanish curriculum. We will aim to have a new programme up and running by September ~ que debería ser divertido!

HEALTH & WELL BEING~ Mrs Field Managing anxiety – April 2020

Team Landscove are very aware that parents are juggling

huge amounts at the moment, and we think you're doing great! Of course, we are sending home learning work for the children to do and that is important, but the thing we think is MOST important is their emotional & mental wellbeing. One of the things we know must be hard is supporting and helping your child with anxiety and worries around the coronavirus. The link below will take you to some useful information on our website www.landscove.thelink.academy/website/march_2020/458907



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Every time you wish you could do something, go somewhere or see someone you love, write it down on a piece of paper and put it in a jar. When all of this is over, you can work your way through the jar and be more grateful than ever for the little and lovely things in your life. Until then, you can watch the jar fill up with magical things to look forward to. Don't forget to decorate your jar!





Try making a town or street with empty boxes or milk cartons.



LOCKDOWN NEWS

There have been several birthdays this term, which we would normally acknowledge in school. So, a very 'Happy Birthday' or 'Belated Happy Birthday' to Mrs Field, Miss Raymont, Linda, Charlie, Eleni, Ivy, Ophelia, Magnus and Reuben!





I met Sophie Scanlon in Ashburton this week and

would like to say huge congratulations on the birth of Rory's new baby brother Rowan, born on 03.04.20 weighing 8 lbs 15oz! Fantastic news! Rory certainly looks like a very proud big brother!

COMPETITION TIME

We have a great competition for you this week... the staff have been dusting off old photos of themselves as children (some haven't changed a bit!). See if you can match the staff to the photos. We certainly had a few laughs, hope you do too! (Answers will go on our Facebook page next week!)



Whatever is ahead, our special little school will stand firm, support our community and do the very best for your children. Stay safe and very best wishes for a fruitful and healthy fortnight.

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