



Rumboldswyke Newsletter 15th January 2021

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Dear Rumboldswyke families,

Well done, you have reached the end of the second week in national lockdown, which we know is not easy. It can be a real struggle at home and we just hope you're all ok and that you know if ever you want to talk, we're always at the end of the 'phone. Please also email me anytime, about anything. If you're feeling worried or anxious about anything, please do make contact. We want to be there for you.



At the same time, thank you for being patient with us and not expecting a reply straight away on Seesaw or Tapestry. We realise there have been some technical difficulties with Tapestry. The website has been overwhelmed with schools uploading 2/3 videos a day, which has caused the website to repeatedly crash. Tapestry are in the process of sorting this out. In the meantime, we will upload the videos onto our school YouTube channel and send out the link if needed.

This lockdown is very different from the last one and the pressure on school has been considerable and the requirements from teachers very different. We have a higher percentage of children in school full time and we have been told, by the government, that we must provide three hours of work a day for children at home. Our wonderful teachers are juggling the mixture of teaching in class all day and setting/ responding to the learning from home. They have been absolutely amazing! Equally, you have been incredible at home.



We have been blown away by the work we have seen! It is important to say, please don't put too much pressure on yourselves with regards to home learning. We understand it's really challenging and we do not want for you to feel overwhelmed by the work set - please do complete what you can and don't feel burdened by the work if there's too much to do or you have technical difficulties. Remember, we can support with online devices if needed.

It has been really lovely to see photographs, videos and voice recordings of the children completing or telling us about their work / adventures at home. Please do keep them coming.

With warmest wishes,

Lisa Harris

We are investigating using an online video platform to enable our children to join in with a live call. I would be very interested to hear your thoughts on this. Would you be happy for your child to access an online live assembly? They would not need to switch on their microphone or camera if you did not want them to. Please do email me your thoughts: head@rumboldswyke.org.uk