



Head's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Today was a most unusual way to end the Spring Term. How we missed the lovely Easter Service, distribution of daffodils and the half-termly cake sale. We also had to miss Whole School Awards but all winners should have received their certificate via Google Classroom – congratulations to all the house point winners this term. Most of all, we missed seeing all our lovely children full of excitement for the holidays ahead. How we look forward to having you all back here with us! We will continue to allocate house points for excellent work and effort and make a record of these so winners can be rewarded next term. Stars of the Week will also still be awarded every Friday afternoon.

In other positive news, we have now received our school login for Bug Club so that we can begin to allocate reading books to children to read at home. We will have the system up and running by the first week back after the holidays; we will notify you of your child's personal login, and how to access the books and activities, on Monday 20th April.

There will be a break from lessons and online learning over the Easter Holiday break, however the lessons and activities from the last fortnight will be kept open if people wish to catch up – this has been requested by some parents. However, to reiterate, there is no pressure to do **everything**. We do understand that juggling working from home with online learning presents a number of challenges and everybody has different circumstances to 'juggle'. Please do not put too much pressure on yourselves to do everything, if this is not possible. School advice is to prioritise maths and English. All that we ask is that you keep in touch with your class teacher just so that we know you are all okay. Before we know it, this time will have passed and normal schooling will resume. If necessary, we will be running additional interventions to help close any 'gaps' when we return to school and we will ensure every pupil gets the support they need. Please do not worry about your child 'falling behind'. In the meantime, we want the children to relax and have as much fun as they can over the holidays.

Please be aware that in the light of the recent, and unavoidable, focus on online learning and the use of technology at home, we have updated the school's eSafety and online learning policy and published it today under the News feed on the website. It will also be listed in the '**Policies**' section. Please can we encourage you to read this and share it with your children. Thank you for your support.

School will open for the children of key workers on Monday 20th April, although the advice from the Department for Education (GOV.UK) remains the same: **that if you can keep your children safely at home, you should**. If you do have new or different childcare arrangements after Easter, please notify school as soon as possible so that staffing rotas can be adjusted accordingly to allow for maximum social distancing. You can either email head@edenfield.lancs.sch.uk or telephone school on 01706 823608. We can also organise childcare (**for children of key workers only**) over the Easter Holiday. We have tried to contact everyone on our list to offer this childcare but please contact the school, as above, should you require this service, if your circumstances change.

Also, please bear with us as we are working hard to ensure that trip money is returned as soon as possible to those parents who paid for school trips, which were subsequently cancelled. These refunds will be posted out to you, or you will be given the option to collect these from school. Please can I politely remind some parents that we are still waiting for a substantial amount of Tower Wood payment and we ask that parents send this to school as soon as possible as we currently have a deficit of over £2000. Thank you for all the payments received this week.

All that remains is for me to wish you all a happy Easter break. I know the current restrictions will have meant many of you will have had to cancel plans which is such a shame but please enjoy time spent with your families and the promise of better weather. Most of all take care and keep safe. We miss you all and look forward to seeing you soon.

Warm wishes,

C. L. Garner

**STARS OF THE WEEK****Friday 3rd April****Reception Class: Jack Seal, Maya Harris****Class 1: Archie Taylor, Penny Milne****Class 2: Tess Giblin, Oliver Taylor****Class 3: William Johnston,
Tia-Louise Chapman****Class 4: Stanley Hulme, Oscar Dearden****Class 5: Bruno Bennett, Harrison Sims****Class 6: Ethan Kelly, Leah Price****HOUSE POINT WINNERS – APRIL 2020****CEDAR****Class R - SIENNA-LOUISE FARNWORTH****Class 1 - BAY McLEAN****Class 2 - NANCY BOOTH****Class 3 - SOPHIA MEAGER****Class 4 - ELLIE HOLT****Class 5 - ELLIS THOMPSON****Class 6 - EMILY OUTHWAITE****ELM****Class R - HENRY GRIMSHAW****Class 1 - LILY CALLAGHAN****Class 2 - JAMES DALBY****Class 3 - SOPHIA SEAL****Class 4 - EVIE SCULLY****Class 5 - MYA JOHNSON****Class 6 - NEVE COTTAM****ROWAN****Class R - FREDDIE HULME****Class 1 - ALEXANDER BALL****Class 2 - AMBER LOVICK & AOFIE MORRIS****Class 3 - FLORENCE SCANLON****Class 4 - INDIA BOODEEA****Class 5 - MIA GENT****Class 6 - MORGAN BEVAN****WILLOW****Class R - WILSON WORTHINGTON****Class 1 - ESME SMETHURST****Class 2 - HOLLIE TOZER****Class 3 - SEBASTIAN WALL****Class 4 - HARRY OUTHWAITE****Class 5 - LILIA PAINTIN****Class 6 - BROCK GREENWOOD****OVERALL WINNERS****Class R - HENRY GRIMSHAW****Class 1 - LILY CALLAGHAN****Class 2 - JAMES DALBY****Class 3 - SOPHIA MEAGER****Class 4 - EVIE SCULLY****Class 5 - ELLIS THOMPSON****Class 6 - EMILY OUTHWAITE**