

20 March 2020

Dear Parents

As the weekend approaches, it is a time to draw breath, and reflect, on what has been a tremendously busy and exciting week; a huge learning experience for us all.

Home learning has begun, and, in general, has gone well. I have seen teachers experimenting in so many ways to make the learning for our children as effective and enjoyable as possible. I saw, this morning, a virtual assembly in Early Years, run by Ms. Sophie and the Early Years teachers. Ms. Sophie read a story, with actions, with the pupils, who could be seen on screen, watching from their home, many with their parents. Teachers throughout the school are collaborating with each other and innovating for the children. The experience for all will undoubtedly improve day on day, as our community gets used to working online. The children have been absolutely superb and the support from parents fantastic. Thank so much for your positive attitude and your helpful comments, which can only help us improve our practice. Please do keep the comments coming, in Thai or English.

At present teaching staff are working from their classrooms in school, but with the rapid spread of the virus it may be necessary at some point for them to work from home, and we are preparing for this scenario. We will let you know more on this next week.

The Covid-19 virus continues to spread globally at a prolific rate, and Thailand appears to be entering a phase that many other countries have already gone through. Preventative measures that we all take will help keep us safe, and will also help slow down the rate of infection. This will ensure that health services are better able to cope for a longer period, rather than being overwhelmed, so please do keep reinforcing the message to your children of, frequent handwashing and social distancing.

On another matter the outline school calendar for the academic year 2020-2021 is now available on the school website.

I wish you all a pleasant weekend

Best wishes

John Rolfe