










LEARNING NEWS

WEEK COMMENCING 18TH MAY 2020

<p>Value of the Week</p> <p>Appreciation</p> 	<p>This week's Value is Appreciation</p> <p>This week we are focusing on showing we appreciate each other in our family and how we can appreciate and show thank you for things others do to help and support.</p> <p>So examples of this would be children saying 'Thank You'</p> <p>If parents are happy for me to have pictures of their child's home learning and showing the values in the Friday celebration video, please email them to me at head@steppingstones.lancs.sch.uk OR POST ON THEIR CHILD'S DOJO PAGE.</p>
<p>Thank a Teacher Day</p> 	<p>WEDNESDAY 20TH May</p> <p>This day is Thank a Teacher Day! It would be lovely if your child could send in a video message or make a card / picture to cheer up their teacher. I know all the staff cannot wait to see your children again!</p> <p>We also thought it would be nice for our delivery team to try to capture some smiling faces this week. Would you pose for a picture that can be shared in Friday's celebration video?</p> <p>It would be lovely for some of the other children to see their friends' faces to cheer them up too. Perhaps holding all of your amazing rainbow pictures etc.</p> <p>There are lotsof ideas on the website.</p> <p>https://thankateacher.co.uk/thank-a-teacher-day/</p>
<p>Home Learning</p> 	<p>We have personalised the home learning packs from this week.</p> <p>Each child will have a tick sheet at the front and then activities to do. For some we have kept the content the same and for a few others we have put in key skills work. We are trying to help find the balance for you! Just do what you can 😊</p>
<p>Videos from staff</p> 	<p>It was impressive to see so many children and families using the Thrive videos last week and doing the activities. Miss Meacham and Mrs Graham have more videos this week.</p> <p>https://www.steppingstones.lancs.sch.uk/zones-and-thrive/</p>

<p>Pastoral Support Team Family News</p> 	<p>Again we have streamlined information –</p> <p>WE ADD TO THIS WEEKLY AS WE RECEIVE INFORMATION FROM THE FOOD BANKS AND COMMUNITY LINKS. In these documents there is support for anxiety, welfare concerns and really useful links. Please check them out.</p> <p>https://www.steppingstones.lancs.sch.uk/family-support/</p>
<p>Free School Meal Vouchers and Half Term Next Week</p> 	<p>It is half term next week and we won't be providing any formal learning packs during this week.</p> <p>Therefore the week commencing 25th May you will not get a Wednesday visit or a call home. Unless you call or text the family phone. We will be available for you if needed.</p> <p>The Department of Education have also stated that we will not be providing a free school meal voucher for this week. They are slowly requesting schools to go back to what we used to do prior to the COVID-19 Lockdown, as we start to plan phased returns to school.</p> <p>School will be open on the 1st June for Key Worker Children and the children we have currently identified. These families know who they are. During this week we will also be introducing other children back to the phased provision and discussing the school provision with other parents that have indicated they would like their child to return.</p> <p>For the parents that have indicated they wish to continue to keep their child at home and see how things progress, we will continue to allocate someone to keep in touch and send home learning.</p> <p>The learning in school will be no different to the learning packs and will be very different to what Stepping Stones was prior to the lockdown. I will share more information over the next few weeks.</p>
	<p>Again, Thank you to all of our parents who are doing a great job!</p> <p>We do appreciate that it has been challenging and hopefully we will have an ease back to a new school provision / model for education in the coming weeks.</p> <p>Take Care and Stay Safe</p> <p><i>Mrs Dodd</i></p>