

Dear parents, carers and children

I hope you are keeping safe and well.

It is hard to believe we are now at the end of week five of lockdown. I know teachers have been ringing you all this week and have absolutely loved catching up with you. We know how challenging this time is for many of you. Be kind to yourself, take time, breathe and remember we are at the end of the phone if you need to chat. This has been posted on social media this week and I have to say I wholeheartedly agree. ↓

Dear Parents,

Don't stress about schoolwork. In September, I will get your children back on track. I am a teacher and that's my superpower. What I can't fix is social-emotional trauma that prevents the brain from learning. So right now, I just need you to share your calm, share your strength, and share your laughter with your children. No kids are ahead. No kids are behind. Your children are exactly where they need to be.

With love,  
All the teachers on planet Earth

When we finally do come back to school, we will sort the learning. We will assess, check where the children are, what they need and then plan lessons and support accordingly. This is our job.

I have been made aware that there have been some issues with WhatsApp and Instagram (Years 5 and 6) where some children are being unkind to each other via these Apps. We are all needing to use different ways of communicating as we can't see each other face to face but please do check these apps are being used correctly. Unfortunately there is very little we, as a school can do at this current time. Normally we would

address this with e-safety lessons. With this in mind we have added some guides to our school website. We will also post some e-safety advice on our school blog. Please let class teachers know if this is an issue when they call.

<https://www.stleonards-ce.e-sussex.sch.uk/school-life/safety-and-welfare/>

<https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/advice-centre/parents-and-carers>

Once again this week I have loved seeing what you are getting up to at home. Thank you for sharing.



Art in Nature  
inspired by James  
Brunt (Artist)

Toilet roll  
activities. Amazing  
what you can do  
with them!

Taking part in Mr  
Ray's daily  
challenge. Check  
out the blog.

Cooking donuts  
for our whole  
school food topic

Take care all of you. Marie Burgess - Headteacher