



Hathern C of E Primary School

New Term Update

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National lockdown & Remote learning

As we complete our first full week of remote learning at Hathern, we reflect on the generally positive attitude shown by our children and families. Although this is a challenging time for us all—the Hathern Family have done as they always do—give it their best shot! Engagement levels with the activities is extremely high, with most children completing the most important tasks of the day. As I said last week, although there is a lot of work provided for the children—if your personal circumstances make this impossible, then please do what you can. Don't worry if all the activities are not completed each day—do what you can, when you can. Of greater importance is the emotional wellbeing of our children and families—and we recognise this. So please, don't put yourselves under too much pressure to get everything done.

Our first Zoom meetings took place this week—and again the levels of engagement were high. Staff enjoyed the experience and the opportunity to catch up with their class. I was able to gatecrash a few and it was good to see the children! Next week, teachers will be making welfare calls to you all—hoping to grab a few words with the children and offering reassuring support or advice where needed.

We are trialling Ukelele lessons with Mr Trueman next week with our Year 3 children. They will receive an invite to a session on Tuesday afternoon. If these are successful then we will look to offer Guitar tuition in the same way for our continuers.

Free school meal Vouchers

These will be issued next week for all children who would usually receive a Free School Meal (EYFS-Year 6). If you think you may be eligible for FSM then please check online or call the office for advice.