



New Haw Community School

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Dear Parents

We hope that you and your family are all keeping safe and well. As we mark the end of week 6 in lockdown, we wanted to keep you up to date with developments at New Haw.

I am pleased to report that the school building has been deep cleaned by a specialist company to ensure a safe environment for those pupils and staff who are currently in school.

We are regularly posting pictures and updates on the school's social media platforms. This is the quickest way by which we can communicate with you at present, so please do follow us if at all possible.

Twitter	@NewHawSch
Instagram	newhawcommunityschool

Home learning activities continue to be uploaded onto the school website for each year group, which we hope the children are benefitting from and enjoying. These are posted each Friday for the following week, together with teacher videos setting a new, fun weekly challenge. The teachers are greatly enjoying the emails from the children with their responses to those weekly challenges. Children can email their responses to:

Year 3 email	Year3@new-haw.surrey.sch.uk
Year 4 email	Year4@new-haw.surrey.sch.uk
Year 5 email	Year5@new-haw.surrey.sch.uk
Year 6 email	Year6@new-haw.surrey.sch.uk

A gentle reminder that these email addresses are for the children's use only. If parents would like to contact school, they should do so via the school office, ie office@new-haw.surrey.sch.uk.

Because the children are most likely online far more than usual, please be mindful of their online safety and keep a dialogue going with them as to what they are accessing and with whom they are communicating. Technology has never been more useful to us and is a great way for us all to keep in touch. However, we must all remain vigilant. Thinkuknow is the education programme from NCA-CEOP, a UK organisation which protects children both online and offline. Their website www.thinkuknow.co.uk has a great deal of information for children (broken down into age groups) and parents/carers, so please do take a look and encourage your children to do so too.

You may or may not be aware that, this week, the government released a new online platform called Skills Toolkit. This platform signposts you to free, high-quality digital and numeracy courses to help people build up their skills, progress in work and boost their job prospects and confidence whilst at home. The Skills Toolkit can be accessed at <https://theskillstoolkit.campaign.gov.uk>. Courses on offer cover a range of levels, from everyday maths and the use of email and social media at work, to more advanced training.

At school we are continuing to receive daily guidance from the government. I am sure that, before too long, we will be advised as to how and when schools will reopen. Until then, please keep safe and well.

Kind regards

Marie Cahill
Executive Headteacher