Dear Parents and Carers

I hope this letter finds you all in good health.

School staff are missing our pupils who are staying safe at home. Class teachers contacted all families this week and reported that they really enjoyed chatting to parents, carers and pupils and offering advice and guidance when asked or simply just catching up. We completely understand some families were unable to take the call due to varying home situations, but if you could pop us an email to let us know that you are all well, it would be greatly appreciated.

Earlier in the week, Mrs Wilson shared the Starline contact details and resources which provide support for parents and carers for home learning during the pandemic.

Prior to the COVID-19, school was planning lots of exciting activities for the week ahead to celebrate VE Day. During the closure period, class teachers have prepared work for their pupils linked to VE day which will be sent out at the beginning of next week. As you know, school was due to be closed for the bank holiday / VE Day on Friday May 8th. As with the Easter holidays, staff have agreed to work this holiday too in order to continue to support our key worker families. I would like to thank staff for volunteering to work this day.

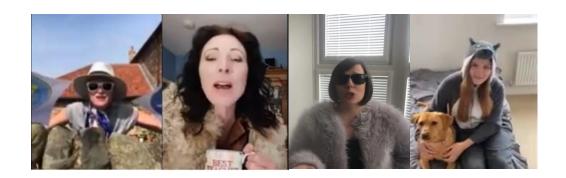
Once again, I would like to note at this point that school have no additional information regarding when schools will reopen or what this will look like. We are guided by Government Guidelines and work closely with the Local Authority to ensure we meet these guidelines.

It was lovely to see that our St Peter's Elwick Pebble Trails of hope are continuing to expand!

Next week our teaching assistants will be sending out fun quizzes for the pupils in their class to complete. They will send the quiz via the info email account for the children to complete on the Wednesday and the answers will be emailed on Thursday. We hope you enjoy it!

We would like to thank Wisden's 'leading cricketer in the world' and 'Sports Personality of the year 2019', Ben Stokes, for his personal message of resilience to the pupils of Hart and St Peter's Elwick.

You may have seen that this week school staff stepped out their comfort zones to record a song for our pupils to hopefully cheer them up and tell everyone how much we miss them. We hope that this brought a smile to their faces. One of our pupils this week told me that they had watched it 20 times already so please remember that you have the option to mute should you wish! Thank you for all your positive comments but we won't be changing our day jobs!



Please take care and be safe God Bless Mrs Hill