



Highfields Academy

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Good morning all,

Well, we have reached the end of the spring term. I can honestly say that I have never experienced one quite like it!! This all still seems very surreal; I just hope that this is over soon so we can get back to normal.

As you know, we will still be open during the holiday period from 7.30am – 6.00pm, including bank holidays. I am going to be in work on Monday but I'm then going to take Tues-Fri off (for a break, I'm still fit and well). Mr Strefford will be in charge for those four days. He will be accessing my emails daily and the admin email will still be manned so you will still be able to contact us. The main school phone line will still divert to my mobile phone so you will still be able to call school if you need to urgently but please try to use email if you can. Mr Strefford's direct email is deputy@highfieldsnantwich.cheshire.sch.uk. For the following week I will be back in on the Monday and Mr Strefford will be off for the week.

This afternoon I will be hosting a zoom conference for all. The meeting ID and password will be sent out separately (see email). Could I please ask that when you join the conference you **mute the microphone option**. This will prevent everyone talking over the top of each other. During the conference I will tell you when to mute and when to unmute. Hopefully this will work well.

Our music providers have sent us some information regarding some youtube videos that they have uploaded. If you would like to take part these are the links:

'Home' lessons

- KS1 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4XG819IeI9U>
- KS2 - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s_kLIuN7oOw

Daily Big Sing

- Monday - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ETTx9EhfTqQ>
- Tuesday - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y2y4Oe6uCso>
- Wednesday - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uf3Otol9wwI>
- Thursday - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0HiS41tzAvI>
- Friday - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IZzDLLQcxaE>

I believe they are also looking into live music lessons, more information about this will follow.

This will be my last letter for a few days unless there is anything major that I need to tell you about. Once we 'return' on Monday 20th April things will continue as they have done for the past 2 weeks.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your amazing support during this time. It has just proved what a fantastic school community we really are. As Arnold Schwarzenegger says, "I'll be back!" very soon.

Take care everyone, look after yourselves and your families.

Simon Dyson
Principal