### **Malorees Infant and Junior School Newsletter**



# Friday 24th April 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the unusual start to the Summer term ahead of us. Of course, it will not be the same without seeing you all, and the day to day business of school life as we know it. We continue to miss your smiling faces and our regular contact with families, but we continue to think of you all fondly.

We hope you received our last communication with the link to an excellent free digital book to explain the coronavirus as positively as possible. We hope it may help to explain this difficult issue with children Coronavirus - A book for children

#### Looking after our school community -Distribution of food parcels

In these challenging times, as a school we have a responsibility to look after each other in a variety of ways. Today, we have notified you of the following:

**Emergency Food Boxes-** These are available for families who need additional support for food. Please contact Brent directly on **020 8937-6792** 

**Food parcels** – A local community project is in place which is providing food parcels for families on Monday and Thursdays. If you have not received an email but would appreciate assistance please contact the school today at <a href="mailto:admin@malorees-inf.brent.sch.uk">admin@malorees-inf.brent.sch.uk</a> for Infant children or <a href="mailto:admin@maloreesjnr.brent.sch.uk">admin@maloreesjnr.brent.sch.uk</a> for Junior children. We hope some of our families can take up the offer as the school wants to help you.

Another delightful option within the community is via a local initiative to support/gift delicious food to someone. Please read link <a href="https://www.kensalqueenspark.com/giftyourneighbour">https://www.kensalqueenspark.com/giftyourneighbour</a>

**Banner Competition** – We would like children of all year groups from <u>Reception to Year 6</u> to have the opportunity to create a Banner to capture their thoughts/ideas/drawings during this time. Messages could centre around a range of themes such as the amazing work of the NHS/symbols of hope/keeping fit and healthy/being with family etc.

We will select the best Banners (one from each class) The PSFA will donate a £10 book token for the best one. They will be collated onto a banner and go outside the school and Queens Park. We can create something to be really proud of as there is so much creative talent amongst our children!

**Online learning** -As you aware, we have sent you information about the gradual changes we are making to provide more scope for online learning. The Juniors have launched this transition yesterday and children have received all the new logins. Next Thursday the Infant children from Reception to Year 2 will receive their new logins and a guide to accompany to support families in this change. In the meantime, Infant home learning for next week will be uploaded on <a href="https://www.maloreesschools.com/Online-Home-Learning/">www.maloreesschools.com/Online-Home-Learning/</a>.

Please continue to email Infant home learning so your teachers can see how you are getting on at home.

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We are so proud of how hard both parents and children are working at home. The teaching team are very pleased with feedback. Please do not forget to send any photos in when you can. We are impressed with lots of fun and creative ideas you are trying out, aided by the lovely sunshine!

Whilst you are at home, if you are running out of the following, please let the school know as we can supply or loan them to you:

-pens, pencils, paper or exercise books, dictionaries or reading books (loan)

#### Malorees Family Quiz Night - Every Saturday Night from 6.30pm until further notice

Al Sirkett (Year 6 father) has kindly offered to continue organising and hosting a Virtual Quiz **every Saturday** night. A lovely way for the school community to stay connected with each other!

Two devices are needed to participate. One for Zoom to see everyone and another to read and answer the questions on Slido. There are questions specifically for the children.

Look out for an email from MaloreesPSFA@gmail.com with the login details and codes.

Please email the above you if you have not been receiving these and would like to be included in communications from the PSFA (there are a number of bounce backs so it may be that details haven't been recorded correctly)

Please keep well and healthy. We are hoping too that you are enjoying the good weather when you can!

With our fondest wishes

Sian Davies

**Executive Headteacher** 

Malorees Infant and Junior School

Wishing families a peaceful Ramadan ahead.



Sarah Harris

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Malorees Junior School



