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Dear Parents / Carers,

I hope your children, yourselves and your families are all well.

It has been a number of weeks now since lockdown began, during that time school has remained open for a number of children of keyworkers and for vulnerable pupils. School also remained open throughout the Easter holiday and the summer half-term break for those pupils.

For the majority of pupils, who have not been able to attend school, we have provided paper based work through fortnightly booklets and a variety of online tasks and activities that pupils can access.

I would like to thank you for supporting your child in the difficult task of learning at home. I would also like to thank the children for their engagement. Staff in school have been working tirelessly. Early on during lockdown they formed a rota system to teach the pupils we had in school. At the same time, they have been working on providing work online and in booklet form for all the other pupils. In addition, they have produced end of year reports and are preparing for September. I would like to thank them all for their hard work and commitment throughout this difficult period.

Since 1st June we have welcomed back Year 6 children within the parameters of safe practice and social distancing guidelines. As a result, we now operate within 5 'bubbles' (groups of up to 10 pupils with one teacher and one teaching assistant). This means that all teachers are teaching in school each day with a teaching assistant, we are continuing to provide home – learning packs and online learning for all.

As the government have decided that it is not possible for all year groups to attend school before the summer break, we are now offering some limited places to pupils in Year 5 from 29th June, This means we are working at our full social distancing capacity.

So with this in mind we have evolved our home learning package so that:

Within each home learning pack there will be certain identified pieces of work that must be completed. Please visit the class pages for more guidance on what must be completed. Pupils can then submit them for feedback via the new year group emails – feedback will take up to 3 days due to teaching commitments.

year3@bleakhouse.sandwell.sch.uk, year4@bleakhouse.sandwell.sch.uk,
year5@bleakhouse.sandwell.sch.uk and year6@bleakhouse.sandwell.sch.uk,

Or the completed work can be dropped into the school office.





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We have also purchased additional online learning for years 3, 4 and 5 such as SPAG.com. Please phone school for your child's password and username.

Over the last few months we have ensured that someone from school, either the class teacher, Mrs. Martin or Miss Crofts has telephoned you to check in and keep in contact, we have also spoken to quite a number of you when you have collected work packs. If your child would like to speak to their class teacher, please let us know and we will do our best to arrange this.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the overwhelmingly positive and supportive comments we have received from you.

I will write out again nearer the end of term,

For now I hope you all remain safe and well.

Yours sincerely

Mr. J. E Bates
Headteacher

