



MALCOLM SARGENT PRIMARY SCHOOL

Love To Learn

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Dear Parents/Carers

FEEDBACK, WELLBEING & ONLINE SAFETY

Whilst we are living in these strange and unprecedented times, I am sure you will agree that the resilience and team effort from around the country have been incredible.

At Malcolm Sargent Primary School, we have endeavoured to continue to offer an education to all children, albeit very different from anything we have done before. Our staff team is working tirelessly, creating online resources for children, delivering lessons remotely, answering questions from parents and children and providing feedback and marking where possible. I extend my gratitude to them and I am sure you will join me in thanking them for their work. We have been delighted to have received so many positive comments about our staff team and the school's efforts during this time. If you have any specific feedback from when you have been particularly impressed with a member of staff or lesson, please do let us know. Please email enquiries@malcolmsargent.lincs.sch.uk with the words FEEDBACK in the subject line. We will use this feedback to adjust our lessons, content and delivery where possible.

Staying happy when at home and learning remotely can be very challenging. Children will not always feel like engaging with lessons, parents will be finding it very hard juggling home learning against all of the other family and work commitments. Please do ensure you seek the right balance for your own family and circumstances. It is important to ensure you and your children stay happy and take time to socialise together in your house and garden, and exercise, and for some of you, that may mean finding a more manageable balance of home learning on SeeSaw or Tapestry.

Equally important is ensuring your children stay safe when online, now that they are using technology more often and have free time to use it. Keep a close eye on what they are doing, and ensure they know they can talk to you if they have any concerns. Please check they do not send video or photos of themselves back to teachers on Seesaw.

Please follow the links below for more good advice on how to protect your children when online during this period of school closure. An update from the DfE is available at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers>

An update on Internet Matters online is available at: <https://www.internetmatters.org/resources/staysafestayhome-tech-advice-and-resources-to-support-families-at-home/>

Please be aware that should you need any support regarding issues with online safety, mental health or in the event of a bereavement, our Pastoral Team can be contacted in school via enquiries@malcolmsargent.lincs.sch.uk with the words PASTORAL SUPPORT in the subject line. A reminder that for safeguarding and child protection concerns, please email enquires@malcolmsargent.lincs.sch.uk with SAFEGUARDING in the subject line, so that your enquiry can be forwarded to one of our Designated Safeguarding Leads.

My continued best wishes for you and your family.

Yours sincerely

Tim Cox
Vice Principal