

## Bartons Primary School COVID-19 Newsletter 6 4th May 2020



Well, the weather has been disappointing this last week so let's hope that the new month of

May brings us back the lovely sun.

This is now the sixth week of lockdown and I know for many families, this situation is testing all of our emotions and at times, our patience. Please hang in there. Yes, it is hard but we all share the same frustrations and we can only do our best. You may find that your child has recently become less motivated. I want to reassure you that this is true of many Bartons children at the moment and we have heard from lots of parents who need some advice on what to do. The thing to remember is that the work on Seesaw is there for you and we're happy for the children to do all of it or part of it. But if you don't manage it everyday then don't worry. We don't want the children to feel under pressure. The online platform gives teachers the chance to keep in touch with the children which is really positive. In order to support you as much as possible during Covid19, here are some links to some organisations that offer useful information about how to maintain good approaches to wellbeing and mental health. Please take a look.

www.nhs.uk/oneyou/every-mind-matters/
www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/support-forparents/mental-health-parenting/
www.youngminds.org.uk/find-help/for-parents/supportingyour-child-during-the-coronavirus-pandemic/
www.parents.actionforchildren.org.uk/covid-19-advicesupport/

www.mind.org.uk/information-support/coronavirus/ coronavirus-and-your-wellbeing

Here are my words are wisdom for this week:
"Life is a rollercoaster, you just have to ride it."
Ronan Keating and Gregg Alexander.

## Week Beginning Monday 4th May

School continues to be open but only for key worker and vulnerable children only.



This Friday's Bank Holiday commemorates 75 years since the end of the World War Two. Before the Covid19 lockdown, we planned to do lots of great activities school to remember this important period in history. Sadly, we are

unable to do this but teachers will set work around this historical event on Seesaw so please support your child/ren in trying out some of the activities. Willow Club in school will also run a range of activities for the children to do in school. In case you're not sure what VE Day was, here is some information for you.

- On Friday 8th May, it will be 75 years since the guns fell silent at the end of the war in Europe
- Years of the destruction of war had come to an end and millions of people took to the streets and pubs to celebrate peace, mourn their loved - ones and to hope for the future.
- There was still conflict in the world until 15th August when it was announced that Japan had surrendered unconditionally to the Allies, effectively ending WW II.
- The 75th anniversary will provide our nation, and our friends around the world, with an opportunity to reflect on the enormous sacrifice, courage and determination of people from all walks of life who saw us through this dark and terrifying period.

Sadly, we can't collectively come together to show and teach the children about this special moment in British history but we hope that you will all be able to join in, in some way, in teaching the children about the sacrifice of our Grandparents and Great Grandparents.

Have a great week Stay safe. Kate Powell.