

# LARKSWOOD NEWS

Dear Parents & Carers,

We want you to know that you and your families are very much on our minds and we hope that you are managing to keep safe during the school's closure and are taking heed of the government advice to stay at home unless it is absolutely necessary not to do so.

Further Government guidance can be found via this link: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/full-guidance-on-staying-at-home-and-away-from-others> . For help supporting your children to understand a little about the changes happening around us all, visit the News and Blogs section on the Place2Be website: <https://www.place2be.org.uk/>

Our school website has been updated with a new 'coronavirus updates' link for any of our updated information or letters that would have been emailed to you. Should you have missed any information in relation to home learning, or updates that have been sent to the whole school about Coronavirus – then please visit: <http://larkswoodlime.london/coronavirus-updates/>

Teachers and the senior leadership team have been working hard in the background to create a wealth of online learning resources, also linked to the packs of work which were sent home. Should you be experiencing any difficulties or would like to contact the school or get in touch with your child's class teacher, then you can do so by emailing [school@larkswoodlime.london](mailto:school@larkswoodlime.london) . There is a lot of support available to keep your child safe online when at home or during home-learning. Below are some useful links to help parents and carers:

[Thinkyouknow](#) (advice from the National Crime Agency to stay safe online)

[Internet matters](#) (support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online)

[Parent info](#) (support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online)

[LGfL](#) (support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online)

[Net-aware](#) (support for parents and careers from the NSPCC)

I would like to inform you about a national scheme rolled out by the Government to provide supermarket vouchers to families of pupils who are eligible for benefits related free school meal as an alternative to collecting a packed lunch from the school on a daily basis. If you think you are eligible please visit: <https://walthamforest.gov.uk/content/free-school-meals> or <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals> .

I would like to end this week's newsletter to thank the staff who have been absolutely amazing. I am so exceptionally proud to work with this team of wonderful people who have truly stuck to our Larkswood motto of '*Putting Children First*'. Your emails and phone calls of thanks and praise towards them have been incredible, and a great boost to share with them during this extraordinary time.

Please take care,

Brendan Plunkett  
Headteacher

