

25th March 2020

Dear Families,

I hope this letter finds you all well and adjusting to our new reality. The past days have been unprecedented in the changes we have all had to adapt to and how quickly our day to day lives have changed. Please remember, although the geography has changed, we are still here for all of you as we were before. You can use the emails and the contacts with teachers on Show my Homework and our help email. Do not hesitate to get in touch for any reason.

We will be running our key worker support in school over Easter and we will keep setting work too. We will be contactable, just like a normal school week.

We are adjusting to a new routine. Well done to so many of you working so hard out there. We have had a couple of parents and some children worrying if they have not managed to complete every task every day, please do not worry. Try to do as much as you can but you will also be working out your own routines and ways of working at home. We do not want to add to your own stresses, please use your own judgement. However, if you are struggling to get your child motivated or organised do let us know and we can arrange for a call from a teacher to encourage or nag! Over the coming days and weeks we will refine what we are doing, if you have any feedback for us or requests of things which would help please do email either help@shuttleworth.lancs.sch.uk or admin@shuttleworth.lancs.sch.uk.

Year 11 families, we know we don't have the examinations this summer but it has still not been decided exactly how grades will be assigned. It has already been made clear that if students are not happy with grades awarded there will be resits in the autumn, but details are still sketchy. I hope the next steps work is helping. As soon as we know more about gradings we will give more precise advice about studies at home. If in doubt, read!

My advice for the time being is just take each day at a time. Try not to obsess too much about the future and things we don't yet know. Keep as busy and active as possible and look after each other. Please ensure you are following all the guidance on social distancing and make sure children are not meeting up in groups.

We are here if you need us.

All the best



Mrs England