

Class E-Mails

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Dear Parent/Carers,

I hope you are all well - I am really missing seeing you and the children daily. It's still very busy at school responding to the Government and LA information sharing, requests and ever changing working methods. Like you, I hope the situation improves so we can reinstate more usual schooling. Until then I think of the children and you often and smile.

Thank you so very much for your lovely, kind supportive messages - they have all been very well received at this time. The staff are working hard to keep the school open for our key workers as well as setting home learning and keeping in touch through letters and phone calls and lots more behind the scenes.

I would also like to add a thank you to those who have responded to the letters teachers sent out last week. Teachers have loved hearing and seeing what children have been up to.

To help further with communication between children and teachers, we have set up class email addresses to be used during the school closure period instead of e-mails being passed on through Mrs Birch. These e-mail accounts will be open to the Senior Leadership Team for monitoring purposes to support safe working.

Class 1 (Mrs Parsons) - <u>class1@eastington.gloucs.sch.uk</u> Class 2 (Miss Child) - <u>class2@eastington.gloucs.sch.uk</u> Class 3 (Mrs Burns) – <u>class3@eastington.gloucs.sch.uk</u> Class 4 (Miss Pates and Mrs Rome) - <u>class4@eastington.gloucs.sch.uk</u> Class 5 (Mrs Mifflin) - <u>class5@eastington.gloucs.sch.uk</u>

These emails are to be used for children to share work they are proud of, special challenges they have set themselves etc with their teachers. They may also ask for help with the work they have been set via here.

Please ensure that when sending to the email addresses listed above, the subject title and any documents are saved with the following formatting/name: (Child's name – Subject - Date). Also, please ensure that this email is used ONLY to show teacher's children's work, respond to letters and challenges and ask questions about their work. All questions and concerns from parents should continue to come to <u>admin@eastington.gloucs.sch.uk</u> in the usual way.

Teachers will aim to respond and give feedback where it is necessary within 48 hours, unless this is across a weekend or a day when teachers are not normally working. It will focus on a positive aspect and celebrate children's effort, learning or accomplishment. If your child would like feedback or a response within the timescale, please ensure that the email is submitted by 2.30pm each day when teachers will check their e-mails.

We recognise that families will be being flexible with the work and daily structure we shared with you. That is what we expected and wanted – children and families are different. We do not want to add to parent's/carers anxieties - do what works for your child/ren. If you want help adapting your work, want more suggestions do talk to the classteacher of your child when they call.

Thank you again for your encouraging word – all staff are really appreciative,

Zoe Avastu

Headteacher