



# Sir Alexander Fleming Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all had a good Easter, despite the strange times we are living in at the moment. I am trying really hard to see the positives and am very thankful that the weather has been very kind to us during this time. I am hoping children have been outside in gardens and enjoy their exercise each day: I know I am!

I would love nothing more than to be writing to tell you of a reopening date, but we are once again bound by the rules of the Government in an extended lockdown. We are all hopeful that at some point we will return to school this academic year. More than anything, we want the opportunity to see our Year 6 children again so that we can say our goodbyes, and so that our new Reception children can be part of our school before the next year! We also need all of our children to meet their new teacher and get to see their new classroom for next year. Fingers crossed we can be together before the summer holiday.

I am very proud of all the team at Sir Alexander Fleming and how they have responded during this very difficult time. There is so much work going on behind the scenes and everyone is playing their part. Mrs Pilgrim has been battling with all sorts of issues around ordering vouchers and sorting out codes, which has been the biggest fiasco of all times. We have decided to continue with the system we have in place as other schools and families who have been able to access the vouchers still have codes that cannot be accessed 4 weeks later. Our system, gives you access to basic food essentials for lunches immediately. A huge thankyou to Mrs Pilgrim because without her, our families would still be waiting. Our Pastoral team have been working hard to make sure all of our families are safe and well, our teaching team are doing all they can to support online learning at home and the teaching assistant team volunteering and doing lots of preparation for this term and beyond.

To access home learning activities, you need to access the school website – parent news – classes and find your child's year group. These pages are updated with new learning activities regularly. Mr Steven is currently working on PE videos and challenges that will be uploaded for you to access each day. If you wish to send any videos or photographs of activities your children have been doing, then please send them to your class seesaw pages or request your teacher's email address.

We continue to remain open to the children of key workers. We were open all over Easter, as we wanted to support the national drive to keep our key workers in work. The volunteers in school have been amazing. Despite anxiety around infection and the difficulties in social distancing with children, they are coming in and offering the best childcare possible in our school. As ever, if you feel you qualify for provision then please email school on [A2134@telford.gov.uk](mailto:A2134@telford.gov.uk). If you have concerns about your children at home then we might be able to help with advice or signpost you to support, so please do get in touch.

I will update you when we know more through the website, email, Facebook and Twitter, but in the meantime we thank you for your support with home online learning. It really will make a difference to the children when they finally return to us.

Best wishes and stay safe.

Miss you all,

Mrs Tomlinson

