

Friday, 20th March 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

This week's newsletter will only be a short one as I have already written to you twice this week. Despite there being less good news in the outside world, the following pupils have excelled in school:



STARS OF THE WEEK



Class 1	Scarlett: for fantastic sentence writing! Annabelle: for fantastic explanations and always trying her best
Class 2	Lyla: for being a good friend and a happy member of the class
Class 3	Phoebe: for persevering with problem solving tasks
Class 4	James: for being kind and helpful to staff and other children

School Closure

As you are aware, the school closes today for the vast majority of children in order to reduce the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19). The government has requested that schools stay open to provide support to parents of children who are vulnerable and those whose parents are critical to the national response to the virus. The full list of these workers has now been published by the Cabinet Office and is available on the [government's website](#). If you think your job is one of those listed, please contact the school as a matter of urgency with your employment details so that we can ensure that provision is made for your child.

Letter from Halton Borough Council

The school has received a letter from Mil Vasic, the borough's Strategic Director. I would be grateful if you could spend time reading his letter which has been sent out to all schools to ensure there is a clear, consistent message provided to all parents and carers in our area.

Contacting School Staff

Please remember that if you need to make contact with the staff at any point during the school closure, please use the following class email addresses:

Mrs Griffin-Jones: Class1@halebank.halton.sch.uk

Mrs Draper: Class2@halebank.halton.sch.uk

Mrs Eley: Class3@halebank.halton.sch.uk

Mrs Bennett: Class4@halebank.halton.sch.uk

We will do our utmost to provide what we can to support the families of Halebank during this time of uncertainty. If you have any concerns or questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school on 0151 425 5798 and a member of staff will get back to you as soon as possible.

If your contact details change during the school closure, please notify the office at sec.halebank@halton.gov.uk or change them using the SIMs Parent Lite app.

I can be contacted via email at head.halebank@halton.gov.uk

In the meantime, I would like you to know that you and your children are in our thoughts and prayers. Look after yourselves and each other.

I hope to see you and your wonderful children again very soon.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Richard Harley". The script is cursive and fluid.

Mr R Harley