

The Kite Family of Schools

Our Mission: Together we inspire a lifelong love of learning which enables children to achieve more than they ever believed possible



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Summer 2

## **Email Addresses**

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Queries about learning:

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Congratulations to Daria,
Chloe and Darla who
were our top 3 scorers in
the competition!

Well done Year 5 who placed 10th out of 50 classes across all of the Kite schools in the Times Table Rock Star competition! **Dear Families** 

The lockdown is now becoming the norm but that doesn't mean it is necessarily becoming any easier. Please do not hesitate to contact school on adminoffice@fernhill.kite.academy if there is anything you feel we may be able to help with.

If your child is feeling anxious or you are concerned, there are useful resources and links in the "Well Being" section on our school website **www.fernhillprimary.kite.academy**.

Also on the website, under home learning, there are useful tips and a suggested timetable. Please remember, we are not expecting you to run a full school day at home. Do what you can of the daily English and maths tasks set by teachers but remember what your child (ren) needs most now is security. Routines are important so try to stick to a daily timetable and keep "work" to short sessions broken up by active breaks. Email your child's class teacher if you have any questions and he/she will get back to you. Class teachers would love to see at least one piece of work from home each week and look forward to hearing how you are getting on at home.

Above all else, please don't worry. When schools return (and I don't know anymore than you at this point as to when that will be), we will be working closely with all children to ensure they are feeling safe, secure and happy and are able to carry on with their learning.

Wishing you all well.

Nicky Slater Academy Head

## New guidance on the temporary extension of free school meals eligibility

Although children in Years R, 1 and 2 are entitled to Universal School Meals, this is not the same as Free School Meals which children are entitled to if parents or carers are in receipt of certain benefits. If you feel you may be eligible, you can check online at: <a href="www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/hants">www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/hants</a>

In addition, the government has recently announced a temporary extension on free school meal eligibility to include children from some groups who are not eligible for benefits. Please follow the following link to check eligibility and download an application form:

www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-free-school-meals-guidance

In these difficult times, please email the school office if you feel you may need help or assistance from one of our Family Support Workers, the Kite Hub or access to a Food Bank.

Alternatively, call Kite Central Office on 01252 984930