

Happy New Year!!  
Another strange week, to start the term!

**A special mention to:**

**The children**, who have already knuckled down and produced some fabulous work.

**Parents**, who have supported us, by collecting packs and logging on, to get our remote learning programme underway promptly.

**The staff team**, who have hit the ground running, to provide quality teaching and learning to children both in school and at home.

**Mr Fox**

It is with sadness that we announce that Mr Fox is leaving Hornton Primary School at the end of the Spring term. Mr Fox has been with us for over 4 years, in which time his hard work and commitment to the children of HPS has shone through. He will be very much missed amongst the staff team at Hornton, but of course, we wish him the very best of luck as he moves on to the next exciting chapter in his career.

**Mrs Symons**

It is also with sadness that we say goodbye to Mrs Symons, who has decided to concentrate on being a full-time parent during these strange and turbulent times. We thank her so much, for all the kindness and compassion she has shown to the children during her time at HPS. We wish her lots of love and luck.

**Expectations**

Again, we find ourselves in lockdown, delivering learning remotely to 70% of the children. As we think back to March of last year, we really did not expect to be in this situation again. The impact that Covid-19 has already had on children's learning is huge. We, with your help, are determined to ensure the children's learning does not suffer any further as a result of the current or any future lockdown.

All teachers have explained the expectation that learning set is to be completed and returned for feedback. Each teacher may have different timescales in what they expect to see and when, but the expectation for children to complete work set, to the best of their ability, applies across the whole school. We totally understand that for many children, this does involve considerable parental input, however, your support is essential to ensuring the pandemic does not have a negative influence on children's long-term prospects. The staff team are available to offer advice, help with work queries and support both parents and children to the best of their ability.

**PE**

Children in school will be participating in PE (safely) as per usual on Mondays. Children are welcome to come to school already dressed in their winter PE Kit.

We look forward to seeing you all soon in safer times.  
Please keep safe and well

**Thank you for your continuing support**  
**The HPS Team**



