

19th February 2021

Term 4 update

Dear parents,

Learning in term 4

We wait in anticipation for the government’s announcement in the next few days with regards to the roadmap out of lockdown and what this means for the full reopening of schools.

Until we reopen fully, we will continue to provide online learning for your child to complete at home. If your child is attending school, we will do our best for them to complete this in their time with us.

I would like to update you with a few matters which are relevant to the coming weeks.

In school, from Monday, we are opening a third bubble. This means that all staff (who are not shielding) are now going to be in school, rather than running a rota as we have done. We will continue to provide online learning as well as face to face learning therefore this will not impact on the live lesson approach we have so far been taking, however, please bear in mind that staff may not be able to respond to TEAMS messages as quickly as they will also be looking after children in class full time.

Technology update

As you may remember in a previous letter, I updated you on our technological developments in school. This coming week, all staff will be migrated over to office 365. While this is very exciting, I am not sure at this point what it will mean for TEAMS. This is for two reasons: Currently, staff use the KLZ platform to log into TEAMS. This is the platform that we are migrating away from, therefore I am unclear what access we will have to our current TEAMS platform. We do have TEAMS within our Office 365 package, however this is different to our current version and I am not sure whether our TEAMS will just migrate over. It could mean that I will need to set TEAMS up all over again. I have asked these questions of our IT provider, but I continue to await a response. **This could mean that online learning is a little disrupted this week.**

I do have Microsoft log ins for your children. Once these have been sent to you, I ask that you please log in via <http://portal.office.com> and change your child’s password as soon as possible. This will mean that your child has full access to Office 365.

Kingswood update

I can ***finally*** bring some good news! In my most recent correspondence from KCC, it appears that we will be receiving a refund as a school. I am awaiting receipt of this payment. With this reassurance I am happy to start processing refunds to you as parents. With the closedown of budget fast approaching, we need to get this done as quickly as possible. Can I therefore ask that you request your refund by emailing office@hollingbourne.kent.sch.uk with your bank details. Please also state the amount of refund owed. Can you please also indicate how you paid. If it was my bank transfer, can you provide a

Contact us

Website– www.hollingbourne.kent.sch.uk

E-mail – office@hollingbourne.kent.sch.uk

Telephone– 01622880270

rough date, if it was by cheque, please provide a cheque number. This will help us trace all payments in our records.

Survey outcomes

Finally, I would just like to say a huge thank you for all your support during term 3. Not only because you have done an amazing job helping your children to continue their learning journey at home, but also because so many of you have taken the time to answer the survey and send really kind messages in support of everything we are trying to achieve. The survey outcomes were overwhelmingly positive. I have shared the outcomes with staff, who were equally as delighted! I have included the headlines below:

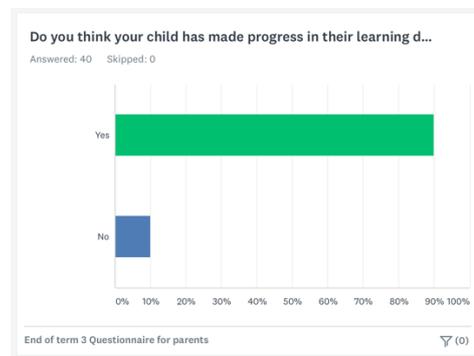
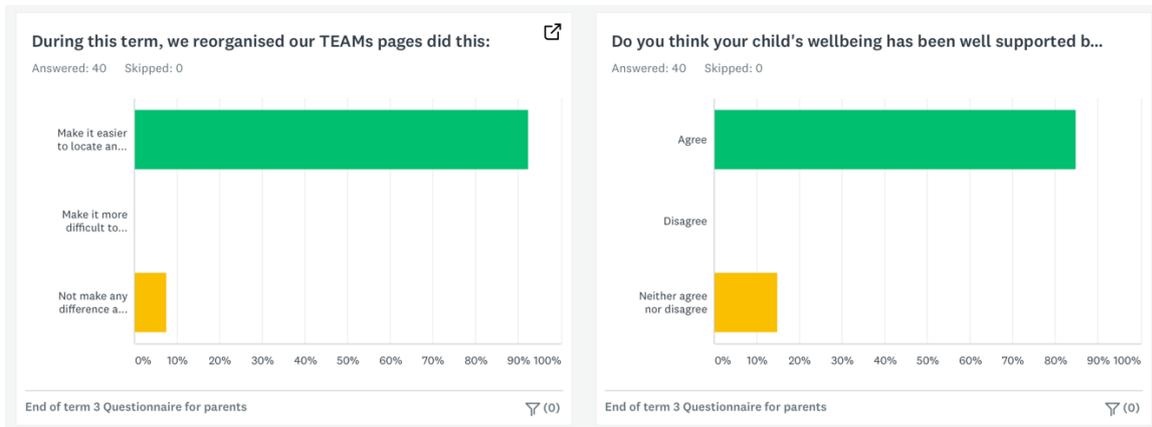


Contact us

Website- www.hollingbourne.kent.sch.uk

E-mail – office@hollingbourne.kent.sch.uk

Telephone- 01622880270



We do hope to see you all again soon!

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Bradley-Wyatt

Contact us

Website- www.hollingbourne.kent.sch.uk

E-mail – office@hollingbourne.kent.sch.uk

Telephone- 01622880270