



Wednesday 31st March 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

I wanted to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Happy Easter and thank you for your continued support and dedication towards our school. This Spring term has been like no other, and I am so proud of the resilience our children have shown and how incredibly hard our staff have worked to do everything they can to support our children's wellbeing and engage them in their learning. As always, we have got through this tricky term in unity, and we really do have the very best children, staff, families and local community.

Please continue to follow government guidance over the Easter break. The message is to remember hands, space, face and fresh air. It is really important that you still continue to inform us immediately if your child develops symptoms of COVID-19 after we break up. Please also book a PCR test immediately and inform school of the results. If a child tests positive, we may need to contact other parents as their child may need to self-isolate over the Easter period due to being classed as a close contact. You can contact us via enquiries@grimoldby.lincs.sch.uk anytime and the email account will be manned throughout the holidays.

Summer Term

The Summer term begins on Monday 19th April, when we will be launching our 'Create' projects across school. These will have an art, music and design and technology focus, and we are really looking forward to seeing creativity from all our children in school.

School will continue to work in the same way that it has this term. A copy of our COVID-19 Risk Assessment can always be found under the Key Information section of our website. As always, if anything does change over the Easter break, please be assured I will keep you updated.

Sports Clubs

We are offering after school sports clubs after Easter. Please ensure you sign up to these (contact Mrs Day in the office if you require more information) if your child would like to attend through Grimsby Town football Club or JB Sports. Clubs will take place outside (as long as weather permits) and class bubbles will be kept at least 2m apart.

Breakfast Club

After Easter, Lambs is offering a breakfast club to our children from 7.30am each morning in The Cabin. Lambs Holiday Club is also open from 8am until 6pm (excluding bank holidays) throughout the Easter break. Please contact Kathryn Axton for further information via info@littlamlambspreschool.co.uk or telephone 01507 327529.

Online Activity

It is inevitable that children will continue to spend more time online over the Easter break and with this in mind, we'd like to remind parents the importance of knowing what your child is doing in terms of online gaming. Many games with online features allow people to play with anyone around the world, including the



use of headsets to communicate. Your child doesn't need to own a headset to hear what other players are saying and often the language used by some players is derogatory, insulting or offensive.

Additionally games such as Call of Duty and Grand Theft Auto are rated 18 for a reason. They contain graphic scenes of violence, torture and detailed injury which can be disturbing for young children. Whilst some parents may choose to let their children play games with a PEGI rating slightly higher than their child's age, we strongly discourage this with games given a BBFC rating of 15 or 18.

As always, the Online Safety section of our website <https://www.grimoldbyprimaryschool.co.uk/online-safety/> contains regularly-updated advice and resources for parents. In addition to this, Mr Spendlow (Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead) is happy to discuss any online concerns with you.

I have also attached parents' information about Omegle.com. This is a website offering a free video chat service which will connect the user to a random stranger who can then interact via text, chat or webcam. Please take the time to read this information produced by the Lincolnshire Safeguarding Children Partnership.

Finally, I would like to thank FrOGS for the donation of chocolate eggs for all the children. Everyone loved finding them around school today! I would also like to say a massive well done to all our children in Year 6, who have continued to work from home whilst their bubble has been shut. We are really proud of you all and cannot wait to have you back in school.

Have a wonderful Easter break and we are really looking forward to a fantastic summer term.

Sending my very best wishes,

Antonia Brooks
Headteacher