



# Andreas School

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Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you are all well. I just want to reiterate the message from the Facebook post yesterday.

I cannot stress enough that you do not need to worry about your child's education during this difficult time. All headteachers and teaching staff are well aware of the fact that school simply cannot be replicated at home. Your child may engage with school set home learning, they may not. You may find it a joy, you may find it a nightmare! Either way, every family is in the same boat and nobody will be getting it right all of the time. I know you are all working hard to keep your children safe and that is the most important thing at the moment.

When schools eventually reopen, all staff are prepared for the fact that children and families have been through a challenging time and our main aim will be to settle the children into a routine and make sure they are in a position to enjoy learning at school again. There is no rush. Nobody needs to feel left behind or inadequate in any way.

What we want more than anything is children who are physically and mentally well so it is vital that children are not put under any pressure to do formal learning at home. Developing a love of learning is crucial and if children are worried about learning during this time they will develop a negative attitude which is hard to change. If the schools' home learning is working for you, that's great. If it isn't, that's not a problem. Your children are very young and have plenty of time to continue their school based education. Plus, the activities you are doing at home are priceless in their own right.

If you or your child have any questions, worries or concerns please reply to this email, or email me directly on [trish.dudley@sch.im](mailto:trish.dudley@sch.im). Either myself or your child's class teacher will then contact you personally so we can reassure you.

Thank you for everything you are doing at home. Hold your heads up high. You are doing an amazing job.

Keep safe

Trish Dudley

Headteacher.