Dear Parents/Carers.

As we begin the Easter break, I want to update you with school news. You will already know that the UK Government has directed that schools remain closed for the time being. However, although it is officially the start of the Easter holidays from 3pm today, staff will be available to you if you need to contact us. The Hubs will continue to open each day, so parents who are key workers are able to continue with their work while staff look after children. Many of our staff will be in the Hubs. Caerphilly will also continue to provide free school meals for children.

Although children will also need a break, I would like them to continue to engage with some home learning through the holiday, as it may be a challenge for them to re-engage given they will not physically return on 20th April. I have asked teachers to set a little work, but to ensure it is no more than we would usually expect students to complete during a holiday period.

I am also aware that some children have expressed concern that they are receiving too much work. I feel we need to revisit this and ensure a balance because too much will overwhelm children and is likely to discourage them from engaging. I will work with teachers during the Easter break so we can agree on that balance.

Finally, I wish you all a happy and safe Easter.

Kindest regards Mrs Harding.