**Dear mums, dads and carers      8 April 2020**

**I hope you and your children are all well and making the most of the opportunity to spend time together...or at the very least getting on!**

**Home Learning**

**As I have already said we are not setting any new work over the Easter "holidays" but if your child has not yet logged onto the website at all it could be worth them / you having a look as there is a lot of information there both uploaded form our own teachers and links to valuable and interesting resources. I will share our plans for future "home learning" in the next week or so.**

**Free School Meal Vouchers**

**We have finally managed to upload our information regarding those eligible for income based free school meals onto the government's voucher system. The government's u-turn at the weekend means that these are now eligible for use during the Easter holiday weeks however they do say they will not issue them in future holidays; although as we all know by now things have a tendency to change!**

**The FSM voucher site has been pretty horrendous to use and Liz Fitzsimmons has spent a huge number of hours at different times of the day and night since last week trying to get Charles Darwin families registered. This has now gone through and as such those of you who do have children registered for income based free school meals (not just those whose children get a free meal because they are in the infants) should all receive an e-voucher via email today which is valid for seven days from today Wednesday 8 April.  We will then do the same again next Wednesday.**

**Please check your junk / spam email if you do not receive your voucher.**

If you think you could be entitled to FSM for your child as a result of low income the contact telephone number for FSM is 0300 1237039. If you do get registered you will then automatically appear on our system and receive a voucher the next time we issue them - next Wednesday.

**Although I know that you appreciate the voucher delay has not been our fault I thank you for your patience and hope you will join me in thanking Liz for her diligence and willingness to get up early to keep trying!**

**Best wishes and take care**

**Adam Croft**