

To All of Year 4

A big hello to you from me! I thought that I would write to you to let you know about how life has been in my house since school closed on the 20th of March. I also wanted to give you a few tips about how you can make the best use of this time before we meet up again and have lots of fun learning back at school.

I hope that you are doing everything that you can to keep busy and are helping the grown-ups to make the best of things during the lock-down.

I have been working hard every-day (except Saturday and Sunday!) because I find that it becomes boring when you have nothing to do. Time really drags when you have no routine and it can lead to people becoming a little bit grumpy! My son, Luke, is in Year 8 and he has been spending about three hours every-day completing his schoolwork. I have been very impressed with his attitude. Yesterday, he was out of bed and working on his maths at 8 o'clock in the morning. His mum, Trish, is the Deputy Head Teacher in her school and she has been at work everyday this week. My dog, Lou, has loved having us at home all day but really enjoys her one-hour walk across the fields and beaches in Whitley Bay. She sleeps well after being out in the sunshine. I hope that you are remembering to exercise your pets during your daily exercise. The sunshine has been wonderful!

Reading, writing and practising your times-tables are really important during this lock-down. You are all members of the most wonderful and hard-working class and I need to you to keep your brains fit whilst you are away from school. Please remember to complete some reading (either of books or on Bug Club), some writing exercises on Purple Mash and your Mathletics tasks. I have made sure that work is set up for you to access on your computer or other internet devices. Try to set up a timetable for each day that means that you get some work done but you also give yourself some breaks. Check our school website <http://www.newdelaval.northumberland.sch.uk/website> for tips on learning during the lockdown.

I also want to see you all back at school when we re-open so remember to keep safe! Make sure that you are washing your hands and keeping away from other people when you are outside of your house for your daily exercise. Staying healthy is so important and you are all aware of how you should be doing this.

I am so looking forward to seeing you again.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Kelly