Dear all

I promised to keep communication to a minimum and now here I am writing to you again! It seems that I can’t get out of the habit of sending a ‘newsletter’ on Fridays! That said, this will not be in the usual format, for obvious reasons!

Firstly, a big thank you to those parents persevering with Home Learning. We know that there have been some frustrations, but hope that we have taken action to address them. A reminder that everything you need is on the website: <https://www.highworth.bucks.sch.uk/web/coronavirus_closure/455368>. We know that some documents cannot be seen if you access the site using a smartphone as it will automatically go to the limited content of the ‘mobile’ version. It is best to use a laptop or, opt to go the full version of the website if using a mobile or tablet. Home Learning Matrices now feature more activities that can be completed using good old fashioned pencils and paper!

Bucks County Council have asked me to forward a link to important information for all parents: [https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/coronavirus/community-hub/keeping-you-safe/family-wellbeing/](https://eur03.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.buckinghamshire.gov.uk%2Fcoronavirus%2Fcommunity-hub%2Fkeeping-you-safe%2Ffamily-wellbeing%2F&data=02%7C01%7Csis%40buckinghamshire.gov.uk%7Cbdb256328e2e461410cd08d7d1ad632f%7C7fb976b99e2848e180861ddabecf82a0%7C0%7C0%7C637208414924313529&sdata=WCUQZdZ8slDTIGprBNwFybyZ3JYgF%2B0pOW%2BO6S2%2BZ1I%3D&reserved=0)

I have also attached some useful contact details with this message. In addition, please remember that although we are not on site, the whole school staff is available to support you in any way we can. In order to access this support, please email: [office@highworthcombined.co.uk](mailto:office@highworthcombined.co.uk)

Finally, if you are able to access the internet, this might cheer you up for a few seconds: [https://twitter.com/andy\_\_buck/status/1243131704103092224?s=11](https://comms.eschools.co.uk/l/nEiiogghOHrMbn9CEtnvRg/7631AKHu9Uld64OJZWGthAHg/FxcwZyFc42Jpl7dhGTxnTA)

My love and best wishes to you all

Clare Pankhania

**First Response**

**0845 4600001 or 01296 383962**

Referrals into social care if you are concerned for the safety or well-being of a child.

**Social Care**

**01296 382249**

This number takes you direct into social care to speak to the duty social worker should you not be able to make contact with your own social worker.

**Family Support**

**01296 398242**

Family Action works to tackle some of the most complex and difficult issues facing families today – including financial hardship, mental health problems, social isolation and learning disabilities. Domestic abuse, or substance misuse and alcohol problems.

**Women’s Aid**

**01296 437777**

Women's Aid offer support to women & children/young people experiencing domestic violence.

**Healthy Minds**

**01865 901600 or txt 07798 667169**

**Healthy Minds** is a NHS service offering quick and easy access to talking therapies, practical support and employment advice. Anyone who is feeling depressed, anxious or stressed, is aged 18 or over and has a GP in Buckinghamshire can request help from **Healthy Minds**.

**Barnardo’s Buddies**

**01296 330096**

Every young person who gets help from our CAMHS will have a trained Barnardo’s buddy to work with them and offer support throughout their care.

**Bucks Youth**

**01296 431183**

For children and young people who are currently in care or leaving care and promote their right to be a part of the decision making processes that affect their lives.

**Young Carers**

**01280 817772**

Are independent charities offering young carers the chance to be young people free from their caring responsibilities through trusted activities, clubs, outings, holidays and one-to-one support.

**Citizen Advice**

**01296 3283317**

A service with knowledge and information for many concerns and problems.