

Milborne Message 06.01.21

Message from Sharon Hunt!

Dear Parents,

2021 has definitely had an interesting and challenging start for us all. Together, and with very short notice, we have managed to set up plans, timetables, new routines and home learning.

Thank you for your help and patience. Most of you have now picked up your child's books, so home learning can begin in earnest.

It's lovely to see all the photos and videos on Tapestry. As well as sharing your learning it is great just to see you all, so please keep them coming. You don't seem so far away then!

I realise the demands that this puts on all parents especially when trying to work from home yourselves or with limited IT, bandwidth, or data allowance. The government is looking at ways of helping in these situations and I am expecting more information soon. You have received information already asking you to let us know if you are experiencing problems.

These are difficult times for many financially but there is some help out there. See the following information on help with bills. [Get help with your utility bills](#)

We intend to use **Google Classrooms** for contacting parents for video calls, and in time for resources, lessons and further learning. In the first instance we need to know that everyone can successfully log on. Those of you with children in the Middle School should already know how to do this. Information on how to do this is attached. Please read the 'How to' guidance carefully and spend some time this weekend getting set up. If you have any problems let us know.

Unless there is something to share I will not be sending out a weekly message. The last thing you need while managing home learning is superfluous or repeated information.

Finally, a celebration. Some of you I know were taught by Mrs Andrews. This week marks **30 years of Mrs Andrews at Milborne School**. This is quite remarkable and we feel very fortunate to have had Mrs Andrews supporting children and their families for this length of time and look forward to many more.

Yours sincerely,

Sharon Hunt