Hi to all our children and families,

I wanted to write to you to say ‘hello and I hope you are all OK.’  It has been an odd week for us all, getting used to our new home learning - it's very different and I’m not sure I like it, but I'm sure we'll get used to it.

School has been so very quiet.  I've really missed seeing you in school and I've missed popping into your classrooms to see what you're learning about.  I’ve noticed that all your teachers have been setting you work on our school website and I hope you are taking this opportunity to have a go at many of the interactive resources they are telling you about.

I hope you are all being good for your parents and carers, particularly if they are working from home – this will be a difficult time for them trying to do their jobs, whilst looking after you at the same time.  Try to help them as much as you can by listening carefully, doing what they ask of you and being patient.

At the moment it is really important that we all protect ourselves from Coronavirus by staying at home, not seeing our friends and extended families and by washing our hands thoroughly and often.

Parents/Carers - Thank you so much for your cooperation and positive communication through this challenging time. I know we are all living through unprecedented times, where you are struggling to manage your own work, support your children’s learning and trying to juggle a million other things. I am doing the same myself and I know how hard it is.

With this in mind, don’t worry too much if you did not get much work completed with your child today, come at it with a fresh pair of eyes tomorrow. You know your children best! I’ve found that through this difficult time there are a few positives. I’ve had more time to talk to my children, we have sat down and eaten together more and, for the first time in years, my fourteen year old has been out for a walk with his dad! We are still here on the end of a phone and the teachers are available via email. If you have any questions, please ask them and we will try our very best to support you

Hopefully our amazing NHS staff and teams of Scientists will be successful in stopping the spread of the virus, developing a vaccine and we will get back to our normal lives soon.

In the meantime, to all of you - Stay safe, laugh lots and enjoy spending time with your families.

See you all soon.

Mr David Harrison and all the staff at Wallsend Jubilee Primary School