

Friday 22nd January 2021

I have been enjoying listening to teachers celebrating all the new faces we have seen joining in on Zoom lessons. There are lots more people joining in now and I think most of us are getting used to this new way of learning. Well done everyone and keep it up!

### Home Learning

I have asked teachers what areas we can improve on in terms of remote learning. Some have said that Zoom attendance is improving all the time and behaviour is great but that work on Purple Mash is dipping a bit. Please make sure that children continue to complete tasks set as much as possible. There is always a danger of novelty factor and new things becoming a bit stale. Children would not stop working in class just because excitement wore off so please try and keep them going with Purple Mash.

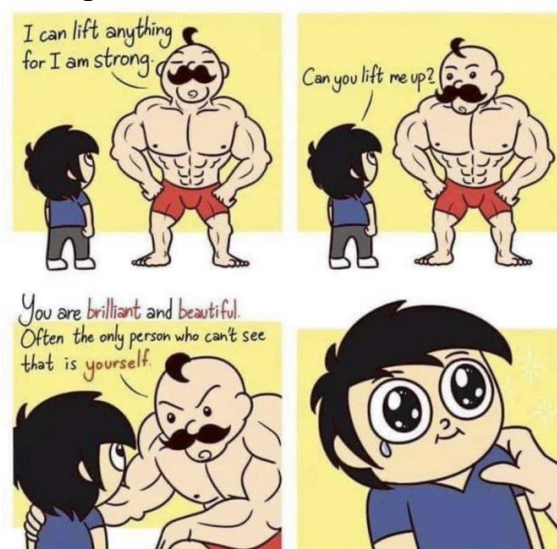
Another area is parents helping children. It's great that you want to be involved with the learning but PLEASE don't answer for them on Zoom and don't complete work for them on Purple Mash. If you want to get involved then make sure they are doing their best work. We all want to see our children do well and succeed but you won't be helping if you do it for them. Let them fail sometimes, it's a great way of learning.

**"It's fine to celebrate success, but it is more important to heed the lessons of failure." -Bill Gates**

Can I also ask that if a 1 to 1 Zoom session is booked then please make every effort to attend or let us know if you can't make it.

### Mental Health and Wellbeing

This week I thought I would share this image showing 2 different forms of strength.



If you are having any problems then here are some helpful numbers

☎ Samaritans 116 123

☎ Mind 0300 123 3393

☎ Calm 0800 58 58 58

☎ Women's Aid 0808 2000 247

☎ Age UK 0800 678 1602

☎ Childline 0800 1111

☎ YoungMinds 0800 018 2138

Some parents aren't receiving texts all the time. This is because some phones have downloaded an app and messages are going there. Please delete the app if you have it and messages will come through the usual way.

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Thank you ☺