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Thursday 9th April 2020

Dear families,

Thank you for your kind response to my video on Twitter. Although I stand up and talk in front of lots of people without a problem, I'm really shy when it comes to having my photo taken or being filmed so this was a real leap out of my comfort zone! However, it was wonderful to feel that I could connect with you all in some small way.

It has been fantastic to see the communication on Twitter; this is a great way for our school family to stay connected. If you are not following our school Twitter feed, I really recommend it – especially as our staff will be sharing videos each week day at around 2pm. Can I just remind families however that, although we love for you to share what is being said on our Twitter feed with your children, they should not have their own accounts as Twitter is for people aged 13 and over. The collection of videos will also be posted on our school website and can be found by clicking on the tab 'to our family' which is situated at the top of the home page.

In my last letter, I let you know that we do not have any expectations of what you should be achieving with your children at home, and this is especially true at the minute as children are on their Easter holidays. The most important thing to concentrate on is each other's mental and physical wellness in times like this. However, we do want you to be able to stay as connected as possible with our staff. With this in mind, we have set up a new email address to be used while school is shut: Staff@barwellacademy.org This email will be accessed by all members of staff from **Monday 13th April**. Therefore, if you have any questions about home learning, need any advice about work, want to send things that children have worked on, it can all be sent to this address. Please put FAO and the name of the teacher/member of staff that it is for in the subject field of the email. Please remember that our staff are still working and may be on duty in school on a day that you message so it may take time for a response.

Please, please though remember that we are not expecting anything from families and will not be keeping any record of who is sending in work for future reference. Now is not the time to judge anyone!

Kind regards

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