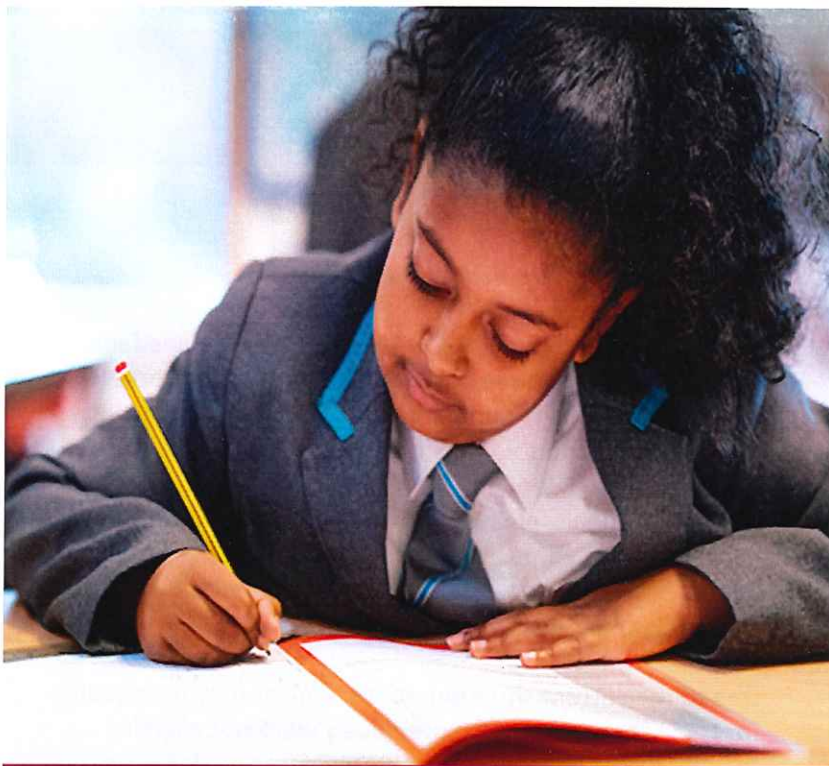




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Dear parents/carers,

Over the past several weeks I have been moved by the wonderful comments and feedback I have received from parents and pupils. Despite these challenging times, we are endeavouring to provide the highest quality teaching and learning experiences for all of our pupils. Showbie is a crucial element to us achieving this and it is wonderful to see so many children accessing, completing and editing work daily.

In addition to our Showbie and Get Epic platforms, there are additional links below for our local library service and their online support to help our pupil's love of reading continue to flourish:

<https://www.inspireculture.org.uk/reading-information/digital/>

<https://alibrarylady.blog/2020/03/19/reading-for-pleasure-resources-to-help-children-enjoy-books-at-home/>

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPUlqIJM0aieXdq-LxKDvWA>

Please be assured that we will share any future government announcements with regards to when schools may re-open as soon as they are announced. In the meantime, I wish to reassure parents that school reports will still be compiled and shared with you during the second summer term. Also, our curriculum plans for teaching and learning continue to follow the intended structure ensuring children receive the highest quality provision we are able to offer during this very challenging time.

Please don't forget to send back your letters, cards or drawings for our Earth Day activity on Showbie to [admin@ednagoldsacademy.co.uk](mailto:admin@ednagoldsacademy.co.uk) before the end of this week. I really look forward to seeing your thoughts and ideas, and sharing these with our local community.

The response from pupils for the 'Explosion of Colour' activity was wonderful, and I am pleased to share with you the link to our first 'Book of Memories' highlighting all of our pupils wonderful ideas that they shared.



<https://online.flippingbook.com/view/381823/>

Edna G. Olds Academy

5<sup>th</sup> May 2020

# Newsletter

## Headteacher Update

Safeguarding remains our top priority. We have added a 'Report a Concern' to our Edna G. Olds Academy website homepage.

Should you have any concerns with regards to safeguarding please use the link below to report your concern to the school's designated safeguarding leads, Mrs Pemberton and Mr Blackwell.

[www.ednagoldsacademy.co.uk](http://www.ednagoldsacademy.co.uk)

### Online Safety

During our school closure, online safety is an important consideration for all families. Please find links below with further information and activities for children to gain further understanding in this key area:

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/Support-tools/home-activity-worksheets/early-years/>

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/Support-tools/home-activity-worksheets/5-7s/>

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/Support-tools/home-activity-worksheets/8-10s/>

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/Support-tools/home-activity-worksheets/11-13s/>



## Useful website links and information

### Nottingham City Council Autism Team

are now up and running on Twitter -

[https://twitter.com/city\\_autism](https://twitter.com/city_autism)

Please follow the team on twitter for relevant information and resources through. They will continue to updating their ASK Lion webpage.

### Please click on the link below for some wonderful creative activities for your children:

[https://firstsite.uk/download-artist-activity-pack/?utm\\_source=Firstsite+Newsletter+Sign+up&utm\\_campaign=23f3560ad4-EMAIL\\_CAMPAIGN\\_2020\\_03\\_31\\_05\\_43\\_COPY\\_01&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_1802559d7f-23f3560ad4-367934129](https://firstsite.uk/download-artist-activity-pack/?utm_source=Firstsite+Newsletter+Sign+up&utm_campaign=23f3560ad4-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2020_03_31_05_43_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_1802559d7f-23f3560ad4-367934129)

<https://www.nationalgalleries.org/art-and-artists/features/home-where-art-creative-curriculum-kids>

<https://www.hauserwirth.com/resources/28072-family-saturday-home-room>

### The EEF has published documents to help support parents with their children's learning at home:

<https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/covid-19-resources/support-resources-to-share-with-parents/>

Email: [admin@ednagoldsacademy.co.uk](mailto:admin@ednagoldsacademy.co.uk)

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## Free School Meal Vouchers

Throughout our closure, we will continue to provide families who are eligible for free school meals with supermarket vouchers for grocery shopping each week. These vouchers will now be distributed through the government backed scheme, ran by EdenRed. Therefore, if you are eligible for free school meals, please keep an eye out weekly in your email inbox for your weekly activation code. These emails will come from [noreply@edenred.co.uk](mailto:noreply@edenred.co.uk). Remember to check your junk folder too.

Due to the current situation, some families may now qualify for free school meals who previously were not eligible. Please see the link below which provides more information to the eligibility criteria.

<https://www.nottinghamcity.gov.uk/information-for-residents/education-and-schools/benefits-for-school-aged-children/free-school-meals-and-free-milk/>

Also, this week the government has announced they are temporarily extending free school meal eligibility to include children from some groups who have no recourse to public funds (NRPF).

The key groups covered under this new guidance are:

- children of Zambrano carers
- children of families with no recourse to public funds with a right to remain in the UK on grounds of private and family life under Article 8 of the European Convention on Human Rights
- children of families receiving support under Section 17 of the Children Act 1989 who are also subject to a no recourse to public funds restriction

Should any families feel they are eligible and would like an application form, please email [admin@ednagoldsacademy.co.uk](mailto:admin@ednagoldsacademy.co.uk).

Whilst we have experienced different school holiday arrangements over Easter, I do hope you had a wonderful break and I am thinking of parents currently observing the Ramadan festivities.

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Pemberton  
Headteacher