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Dear Parents and Carers

REMOTE LEARNING UPDATE

We can't believe we are at the end of another busy week! We know this week has been difficult for many of our children and families especially after the announcement from the Prime Minister that remote learning will be carrying for another few weeks, at least, after half term. We would have loved to have welcomed all the children back to school after half term but the most important thing is keeping our community safe and well.

Mental Health Week

Next week is Mental Health Week for Children 2021, we are looking forward to taking part in this important event. The theme of the week is "Express Yourself" and we will be asking children to do just that! We are going to be celebrating their unique ways through lots of different, creative activities. An information leaflet will also be going home, on Dojo, with lots of additional activities you can complete, links to important websites and a selection of helpful apps that address Mental Health and how to support our young children.

Class Dojo

Class Dojo has continued to be invaluable during this period of lockdown. The ability to flexibly communicate with you as parents, see the children's learning and to be able share resources with you ensures we are all able to support the children in the best way possible. Please remember that teachers will not always be able to respond to Dojo messages immediately especially when teaching. They will reply as soon as they are able to.

Critical workers

Teachers have been enjoying seeing the work the children have been completing in school and are providing feedback to the children. We have time within school where the teacher will spend some time with your child giving 1:1 feedback via Teams. Please feel free to discuss and share the feedback your child's teacher has put on their learning on Class Dojo.

This week we have been made aware of a number of parents who are working from home or have been seen exercising during the school day when their child is in school. Please can we ask, again, that children are only sent to school when absolutely necessary. Please do not be offended if we ring you to discuss your working arrangements, we are just making sure we keep numbers in school to a safe level.

We hope you have a restful weekend and we look forward to seeing the children on Monday for another week of learning. Thank you for your continued support, patience and understanding.

Yours sincerely

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