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Dear Parents / Carers

I hope everyone is continuing to keep safe and well in these difficult times.

Firstly I just wanted to thank all of our parents and children for all of their hard work and dedication to home school / lockdown school over the last 5 weeks. It has not been an easy time for anyone and we very much appreciate all of your support. We have seen almost full attendance on daily live lessons and we have been delighted with the work the children are completing and turning in. It is very clear that the children have been working hard but that adults have been too - thank you! We know many of you are trying to juggle school, work and home and that this is no easy feat!

We have seen some fantastic examples of children going above and beyond with their learning from baking, creating puppet shows at home and even creating monodrian art using material on the living room floor!

I am confident that it won't be too long before we can return to some normality and get back to a more normal life. Keep up the hard work boys and girls (and parents too!).

Children's Mental Health Week

This week has been Children's Mental Health Week. Please click on the following link to access resources which you and your child may find useful, especially during the current lockdown.

<https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/parents-and-carers/>

Tuesday 9th February - Safer Internet Day

Tuesday 9th February is Safer Internet Day. It is more important than ever that children understand the advantages (Home school?) and disadvantages of the internet. Lessons on Tuesday will have a focus on keeping safe online and PSHE rather than the usual Maths & English sessions. We hope the children find these sessions enjoyable and informative.

Thursday 11th February

We are currently working on a possible reopening date of 8th March 2021. With that in mind, EYFS & KS1 are putting learning packs together for the first couple of weeks after half term. This will include some new reading books and the necessary Maths and handwriting work.

KS2 children already have the resources they need and access to reading books via EPIC read so no new pack is required. If your child is in KS2 and has not yet moved on to Accelerated Reader, new Oxford Reading Tree books will be put into a pack for you to collect.

We are asking that parents come to collect packs between 1:30 and 4pm on Thursday 11th February.

Half Term

School will be closed to ALL pupils from the end of the school day on Friday 12th February until Monday 22nd February when it will reopen for Keyworker and vulnerable children only.

Best wishes to you and your families. Please do take care & stay safe

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