

12th February 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we finish this half-term, I would like to thank you all for your support during my first term as your Headteacher. It has been wonderful to get to know the school and meet the children and families, albeit often via telephone or by watching clips of your children's learning on SeeSaw. I look forward to welcoming all pupils back to school as soon as we are instructed it is possible and safe for our community.

Next half-term we had a staff training day booked on Friday 19th March, this will not go ahead and will now be on Friday 30th April.

As we await announcements regarding the return to school, we have planned that we will celebrate World Book Day on Friday 12th March. During that week we will hold a series of activities related to reading and celebrating books. We would like to invite all our children to plan a costume related to their favourite book character. We are mindful that buying costumes can be expensive and not environmentally friendly, therefore we encourage you to be as creative as possible when planning your costumes - use what you already have as far as possible! Children will also be invited to create a story in a box as one of their activities. If you have a spare shoe box, please do not throw it away as we will be using these in our Book Celebration Week from 8th March, more information will follow but please do not throw them away over the next month!

I hope that your children have enjoyed our well-being Wednesday activities, I know this coincided with some fantastic outdoor play in the snow. All the staff enjoyed seeing the snowmen and sledging pictures. A much needed break from routine!

Finally, I would like to say you have done a fantastic job with teaching your children over the past 6 weeks. Being a teacher takes many qualities: creativity, energy, enthusiasm, resilience, patience and resourcefulness to name but a few! Over this short break, ensure that you give yourselves and your children time to re-charge and replenish your energy. Our teachers will be here to support and take the reins in guiding your child through continuing their learning journey after half-term.

Yours faithfully



Jennifer Marsden  
Headteacher

