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Dear Parents/Carers

I hope this letter finds you all safe and well. I have heard many say (and this reflects my own thinking); this lockdown seems to be harder than the last. This may be because this time the pandemic coincides with the cold weather and the dark nights which themselves are known to have an effect on our mood.

You are all doing an amazing job during these very challenging times! Whilst we follow all of the guidance to ensure that our children continue to receive their entitlement of a full, high quality curriculum I am aware, as we approach week five, we understand that some days are going to be more challenging than others. We know that some days, especially if you have been to work or need to work from home, there may be less work submitted and there are going to be some days you may just not get done what you have planned!

We have received a few requests for more reading books and for exercise books for children to complete their work. If this is the case, please email us at the usual admin address and we will arrange for these to be ready at the front entrance / reception area.

I am pleased that I am able to continue sending out my Headteacher Certificate's in the post. I know teachers are busy sending out postcards too for our children. It is lovely to see how creative you have been and teachers are keeping me posted on all the work that is being completed remotely!

You may have heard on the news that school staff are now carrying out twice weekly home COVID testing. This will help identify anyone who may be carrying the virus but not showing any symptoms. Whilst this is excellent news in continuing the fight against the virus and keeping everyone in school safe, it does mean that if they test positive





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(tests are carried out in the mornings before school to give the most up to date results), a bubble may have to close with very little notice.

I am therefore asking you to make sure you have alternative, emergency childcare arrangements prepared in case childcare (and school once it reopens) bubbles need to close without much notice.

Take care of yourselves and your families.

Best Wishes,

K Moloney  
Headteacher

