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Dear Parents/Carers,

Well we have made it to the end of the first half of the spring term - just about in one piece! I would like to thank you all for working with us to support your children, whether they have been learning at home or at school. It has been a challenging time and I know for many parents working from home whilst also helping your child complete home learning has proved to be very stressful at times. Despite this, the feedback from the teaching staff and the work I see on google classroom tells me the children are doing amazingly well. Overall, staff, parents and children are navigating their way through this time as best they can and have shown such commitment to make the best of a bad situation. I am so grateful to my fantastic staff team and know how hard they work to support me to ensure our school remains open for those who need us, whilst also delivering the best support for remote learning possible. I hope we have been of help on those occasions over the past few weeks when things have just got too much - thank you so much to all the parents who have sent us messages of thanks - it is so lovely to hear we have made a difference. We will continue to do our very best to support everyone over the coming weeks - so please do contact us if you need anything.

For those of you who have had children in school over the last few weeks, you will all be pleased to hear - as are we - that we are now able to use our fan heaters to keep school warm whilst also applying required infection controls. So from the start of next half term children won't need to be dressed in quite so many layers. Thank you again for your understanding whilst this issue was being resolved.

We are all hopeful that next term will bring some positive news and we will be able to welcome more children back into school. We are still expecting to receive two weeks notice for any plans to reopen and as you know the next scheduled update on the lockdown is on the 22nd of February. So until then please enjoy half term, keep being positive and let's all hope that soon there will be good news.

Take care everyone and I hope to see you all very soon.

Suzanne Connolly