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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your understanding and support at this difficult time. We are trying to keep you updated with developments and changes as they happen through the website, texting and the Facebook page. I would just like to offer some reassurance to many of us who are feeling anxious and overwhelmed at the moment.

- This is a worldwide emergency that we, as a country, are reacting to. Keeping your child at home at this time is very different from 'home schooling'. The websites and work that we send home will not fill your child's day - they are suggestions and ideas - they are not compulsory and must be approached at times when both you and your child want to do them.
- You are, and have always been, the main educator of your child. If you decide that your child would not enjoy an activity that is sent home and is going to play in the back garden, bake a cake, or watch TV that is fine - don't stress about it - keep your child (and yourself) happy - you know best.
- If you are working from home, it is impossible to try and educate your child as well - you need to focus on your job and survival - that is far more important now and will be when we get through this!
- Apart from paper homework packs that were sent home, you can also access home learning links on our website. It is impossible for us to get paper copies of everything to you so we are trying to share as many links as possible. There are plenty of Apps, websites and videos that are being offered free - please look on the website under the parents tab.
- Every child in the country is in the same position - they will not fall behind - when they return to school the teachers will teach from where they are - it is what we are trained to do.

Moving forward, we will be looking to make contact with you over the coming weeks to ensure you are okay and that you and your family are keeping well. You are doing all you can to protect them - you are loving and supporting your child through this time. Please continue to do so as we are in an unprecedented situation as a nation.

In school, we are operating on a skeleton staff to protect all of us but we are still providing childcare for critical workers and vulnerable children. If you need to speak to us please phone, email or text. If your child is attending school, please follow social distancing measures and enhanced hygiene, including tying back hair.

Please get in touch if you need anything and stay safe!

Kind Regards

Mr S Russell
Headteacher

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