



**Together we inspire, together we nurture, together we achieve.**

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Dear Parents/Carers

I wanted to write to you and all of the children of the school as we enter another lockdown and challenging period.

Throughout this last 11 month period, I have never ceased to be amazed at the way that as parents and carers and children, you continue to positively engage with all of the ways the world has changed so rapidly and work tirelessly to make the best out of a challenging situation.

I remember writing to you and sending messages in the first lockdown that this will all end and we will see each other again in the flesh as it were, and we will get through this together. And we did see each other again and we did come back as a school and we did get through that first lockdown. This happened because we worked together and everyone was simply amazing. We WILL get through this again this time.

Children, you are simply amazing and incredible at adapting and moving forward. I know this is hard again and missing your friends is a huge part of this. But we have moved forward a long way with this. There are online assemblies to join and your teachers have been working hard to get online lessons up and running for you. In these sessions you can see your friends, learn together and yes, unfortunately, you will get to see your teachers too! I know they will be pleased to see you.

You also can really help your parents and carers too, as I know you have been. They are doing their best to work from home in many circumstances and help you at the same time. Be patient and kind to them and let them know that you know they are doing their very best too. I'm a teacher and even I found it hard in the last lockdown to teach my own two boys, so your parents and carers are doing amazingly to do this and try to work too!

To parents and carers, thank you. I know that online learning puts such huge pressures on you at an already pressured time. Please be kind to yourselves too. At school we are so grateful for all you are trying to do to support your child's learning from home. We recognise that this can be challenging, frustrating and plain impossible sometimes, but you are doing your best and that is amazing and all we can ever ask. If you are struggling with home learning in any way, please contact us as I can guarantee you really won't be the only one over the coming weeks and we are here to help!

We are also here to talk to. Being in lockdown can be emotionally challenging for adults and children alike. We all have our moments of feeling anxious, worried and unsure. If you need someone to talk these things through, we are here.

Finally, we achieved great things during lockdown the first time by coming together for the benefit of our children. I know we will all rise to this challenge again and I sincerely offer my thanks for your help and continued support in this.

With very best wishes

Mr Fugill



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Creativity

Friendship

Perseverance

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