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## ***'One federation family, with transformation at its heart'***

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are now at the end of week 4 of 'remote learning' for most of our children (Yes, I know – it is only week 4!).

After some analysis of the amount of activities that are posted on Class Dojo and the take up of 'remote learning' through online and home packs I would like to give you all a round of applause for continuing to do a sterling effort whether your children are accessing all the activities or just some! Of course I would like every child to do as much as possible but as I have previously said every family's circumstances are individual and the main priority is to keep your child's and your emotional health and well-being as strong as possible.

I suspect that this week has been the most challenging so far. Tiredness, frustration and general lack of not knowing when and how this will end, may be taking its toll on your family. All I can say is you are not alone and what we do now is vital in getting to the end of this.

On Wednesday the government announced that schools would not be re-opening to all until at least 8th March. This gives me some hope that school may return to some form of normality from then. The government will give us more details on 22nd February. I know it is difficult to give clear dates when dealing with a global pandemic but it does give us something to aim and look forward to.

Until then I would like you to keep up the phenomenal work that you are doing with your children. Utilise our on-line learning offer, use all the educational activities that you are signposted to and keep being a great parent to your children. Remember that only a happy child is ready to learn so do everything you can to make them feel safe and loved.

Please continue to follow the rules no matter how difficult they are. If we are all vigilant and 'do the right thing' the quicker, we will get back to normal.

Have a good weekend

Kind regards

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As mentioned in my previous letter January is named after the Roman god Janus. But did you know.....

The Romans started the tradition of making resolutions. Because Janus was looking backwards and forwards at the same time. He became a symbol of forgetting the past and moving into the future. January therefore became known as the month in which to forgive people and be kind.

I would like to think that many good things will come out of this pandemic (not Zoom!) and that human kindness may be one of them. I have seen many acts of kindness over the last year and I do hope that this has become a virtue that we will remember in the coming months.

Can't wait to see what interesting facts we have about February!