



HAWKSWORTH CE PRIMARY SCHOOL Since 1874

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope everyone is keeping safe and well during this lockdown, a challenging time for everyone. With the roll out of the vaccination programme, there appears to be light at the end of the tunnel, thank goodness.

I would like to thank you all for the support you have shown Hawsworth during this time. Your patience and cooperation have been much appreciated by the Governors, Mr. Norris and all the staff. I hope the home schooling is going well and I am sure you are all looking forward to a break next week. As a parent myself, I know how difficult it is to juggle schooling with all the other challenges that we currently face. The feedback from the teachers has been very encouraging. Last term the children settled in quickly and made good progress despite having been away for so long. This I believe is a testament to yourselves and the splendid work carried out by the teaching and support staff.

On behalf of all the Governors I would like to wholeheartedly thank Mr. Norris and the entire school team for their hard work. Mr. Norris has been juggling his role as Headteacher with teaching the key worker groups, enabling as many staff members as possible to work from home. He has been committed throughout to supporting the staff and parents and has monitored and reviewed the home-schooling procedures where necessary.

All the staff have worked extremely hard. The Teaching Assistants and administration staff, working in school, have put in extra hours to ensure that everything is in place ready for the following day. The restrictions of the bubbles have placed extra pressure and challenges on them. The class teachers, like yourselves, have been challenged with the task of working while home schooling or occupying toddlers, which is not an easy task. I am sure everyone is looking forward to getting back to the classroom. The marvellous support staff, as always have done a brilliant job keeping everything running smoothly.

The Governors have also been working hard behind the scenes. Meetings, thanks to the brilliance of Zoom, have taken place as scheduled. We continue to support and monitor the workings of the school. I am in regular contact with Mr. Norris, as are the class governors with the teaching staff.

Everyone has gone that extra mile to try and make the best of the situation.

Thank you once again for all that you do in supporting the School.

I hope you have an enjoyable half term.

Kathryn Loftus

Chair of Governors

Hawsworth CE Primary School

