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## HALF TERM

### HAPPY HALF TERM:

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy half term. There will be no remote learning set in this time so that we can all have a well-deserved break.

There are a lot of people during this time to be extra thankful for – particularly key workers. I want to thank YOU. We understand how difficult these past weeks have been, especially for those of you trying your best to continue to work whilst needing to support your children with learning. And for those of you with more than one child, we understand just what a struggle this must be. Thank you to all of you who have embraced a remote way of working which is incredibly new to each and every one of us.



I also wanted to remind you all of our very own superheroes – the children! They are truly wonderful. It is understandable that some days will be better than others. They will be missing their friends and school life and also trying to make sense of what is going on in the world. Hug them, tell them they're loved and allow them to feel a little cross once in a while – they (like us) have had no choice in the circumstances we are currently in. At no point in recent history has any other child had to experience 'remote learning' in the way they have – they will be the generation named in the history books for years to come, so tell them how awesome and unique they are.

We await an announcement on the 22<sup>nd</sup> February when I will be in touch (keep checking Ping!) with further guidance and information on what comes next. I am very much hoping we can return as many children as possible and as soon as possible, but only if it is safe for our community.

### POSITIVE COVID CASES:

If your child has been in school this week and tests positive for Covid-19 over half term, please alert us by emailing [covid@coomberoad.brighton-hove.sch.uk](mailto:covid@coomberoad.brighton-hove.sch.uk). You will be asked some questions so that we can track others who your child has been in contact with, and help to stop the spread.

Please continue to follow guidance to keep yourself and others safe.

- Wash your hands regularly and for at least 20 seconds.
- Wear a face covering in indoor settings where social distancing may be difficult, and where you will come into contact with people you do not normally meet.





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- Stay 2 metres apart from people you do not live with where possible, or 1 metre with extra precautions in place (such as wearing face coverings).

Further information can be found at:

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/national-lockdown-stay-at-home>

### KEY WORKER CHILDREN:

Our bubbles are at capacity and so we would like to remind all key worker families to please only send your children to school if there is nobody to care for them at home due to adults carrying out critical roles. Larger numbers of children in bubbles increases the risk of infection to all, so please be mindful and use only the days you require.


### EXPECTATIONS OF REMOTE LEARNING:

The DfE recommends a minimum of 3 hours for KS1 and a minimum of 4 hours for KS2. This is what we will continue to provide after half term. If it is too much for your child, take a break and do what you can.

With the launch of 'Why Don't You? Wednesday' after half term, we hope that our children will be able to learn away from the screen a little more.

### GOLDEN PUPILS:

Golden Pupils are announced each week on Google Classroom (where you will also find their certificates). Well done to the children who have achieved this award so far!

GOLDEN PUPILS		
	12/02 River, Ayana, Jacob G, Korede, Farah, Sheryl, Jayden M	