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With faith, we care, share and learn together.

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Dear Parents & Carers

As we are in our second week back at school, I would like to reassure you that the children have settled back into the classrooms really well. Some children were naturally uncertain of routines to begin with and found the return to school challenging after the familiarity of being at home for such a long time. They have now become more familiar with friends and teachers again. We continue to work on social skills, mental health and well-being, and are determined to make school a positive and enjoyable experience for everyone. This includes the playground. We are having extended playtimes to maintain our diet of physical exercise, and also give opportunity for friendships to blossom.

Thank you again for all the home learning you managed during lockdown. You will be aware that the only work coming home currently is a reading book. I just wanted to repeat the information I sent out last September regarding reading books, as it is a long time ago now.

The teachers have assessed each child's confident reading level and chosen a book which they can attempt to read to you at home. I hope you enjoy reading time with your child and talk about the story afterwards. Please don't try to read if it's a rush or stressful for you or your child. We don't want it to be a negative experience for either of you.

The teachers will change the reading books in the classroom regularly. We are not currently including reading diaries in the book bags, and reading books will be "rested" for at least 48 hours before being handled again by children or staff.

Finally, I would like to invite you to join us for a brief Easter Celebration in the school playground. This will be at 9.00am on Wednesday 31st March. We are hoping for fine weather, as we did for Harvest and Christmas, so bring a brolly! The Easter Fair will not take place this year, but I will send home an Easter colouring competition next week.

As always, if you need a chat about anything at all, please let me know.

Geoff Wharton



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