



# The Federation of Norland CE School and St Mary's CE Junior and Infant School.



## Many thanks

We hope that you are keeping safe and well. As we finish today for the half term break, our remote learning through Zoom and Google Classroom will recommence on Monday 22nd February. We want to thank you again for your continued support for our schools and for supporting your children with their learning over the past weeks. We very much appreciate how challenging and difficult at times it can be for everyone to balance home life with work, learning and other commitments knowing now that most children will not be returning to school before 8th March. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you feel there is any more help or support you need with accessing remote learning.

Your children are doing amazingly well in engaging with the Zoom calls and Google classroom and we are immensely proud of how the children are responding to the difficult circumstances they find themselves in. They continue to show great determination, resilience and motivation in working together. Well done to them all!

The teachers and support staff are working amazingly hard in school every day staffing the critical worker provision, providing support for individual pupils as well as setting assignments and providing feedback through google classroom - Many thanks to every member of staff!

Many thanks to the parents who have sent some lovely comments into school, I know the teaching staff really do appreciate it. The comment below is from one of our parents which I would wholeheartedly agree with.

*I just wanted to say a huge thank you to all the teachers at school for all your continued effort, support and thought. We are definitely living in unprecedented circumstances at the moment and while things aren't exactly ideal, I can't thank you and the teaching staff enough.  
The planning that must go in to making all this happen is just beyond me. Our child is loving the calls with the class every day, so thank you for making this possible.  
You're all doing an amazing job so thank you once again.*

## New Federation Name

Many thanks to all parents who supported their children in designing a logo and suggesting a name for the Federation. We had some fantastic responses. Following consultation with the Governing Body and staff the decision has been made to combine 2 proposed names and the new name for the Federation will be:

### **Calderdale Village Schools Federation**

Look out for the new Federation Website Page which you will take you to the schools' websites and have general Federation Information on it. A new Logo is also on its way! Here are just a few of the examples below—Well Done and Thank You to everyone who participated, you did a fabulous job!



## Remote learning questionnaire

Many thanks to everyone who completed the remote learning questionnaire. Every year group and both schools were represented in the responses.

72% of parents felt that the right amount of learning was being set with 28% saying there was too much. We are setting the amount advised by the DfE, however appreciate that some children may not complete everything set on the day.

88% of parents felt Maths was either OK or great with 100% of parents saying that the English was great. Seeing the class teacher in English videos was felt to be positive, whereas the Maths videos are felt to be generally the same but with different content.

88% of responses said that their children enjoyed the zoom calls in the morning and afternoon and that they were useful in supporting children whilst at home. One comment made was 'Absolutely 100% think the zoom calls are important. It's vital They still get to check in and see each other.'  
My child loves the zoom—it's a great way for them to connect and start and end the day.

For all other subjects 100% of responses felt that the google classroom learning was OK or great. One comment stated that it was easy to see what has to be done each day.

We will be continuing to review the remote learning offer in school based on the feedback from parents, many thanks, we do appreciate it.

We hope everyone has a lovely Half Term break and look forward to returning to learning on Monday 22nd February.

