





Gooderstone Church of England Primary Academy

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Dear Parents/Carers,

WOW, what a half term it has been. Open, closed, National lockdown, new variants, broken boilers, whole staff testing and then snow! We know it has been tough for everyone, lockdown 3.0 is taking its toll on many families. We want you to know you are all doing a fantastic job of balancing home life and home schooling and the work that is being handed in by children is of really good quality.

I want to say a big thank you to those of you that took the time to fill in our Remote Learning Survey. The results have been attached to this letter for you to have a look at. The response was overwhelmingly positive and many parents sent some incredibly kind messages to specific members of staff thanking them for everything they are doing. We know the situation is far from ideal but it is heartening to know that we are providing the children with lots of good quality learning. As a staff we have listened to the things you have suggested to improve our provision and have made adjustments where we can. You will see that each class teacher is laying out the learning for the week on a Monday so you can plan your days around it. We are offering 1:1 Zooms for children struggling with work or just in general, wherever possible and we are also providing welfare check in calls for those that need it. For anyone struggling with technology we have laptops at school we're happy to loan out, please contact the school office if you require help.

Please do continue to talk to us, if there is anything we can do to support you and your children, we will try and help wherever we can. After half term we will be starting fortnightly Coffee and Questions Zooms. With the first one taking place on Thursday 25th February at 2pm with myself, Miss Brown and Mrs Tinkley. We will send out more details after half term but please come along if you have any questions for us. You might also like to check out our family support page on our website.

We want you all to have a very relaxing half term, your homework (parents included) is to focus on having FUN. Remote learning and in school for Critical workers and vulnerable children will commence from Monday 22nd February. We have lots of lovely events coming up after half term: Science Week, World Book Day, Red Nose







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Day and many more. We will make it special for all the children be it in school or virtually.

We hope that Monday 22nd February sees some good news from Boris and we will be able to have all the children back with us very soon. Have a lovely half term break!

Best Wishes,

Mrs Godbold.