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Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to thank you for your continued support in this national lockdown period. The Government have taken additional measures including the closure of schools to most pupils to try to reduce the pressure on the NHS. It is important that we all do whatever we can to support this and follow the rules.

Our teachers are working very hard to provide our children remote education in a variety of ways. I know it isn't the same as face to face teaching, but **the Government's message is to stay at home to keep us all safe**. We understand that supporting your child with their learning at home can be difficult but in order to keep everybody safe during a pandemic the safest place for your child is to be at home. We will understand if you cannot complete the learning activities set and will be there to support your child(ren) and you. Please contact us if you are having any difficulties and please be kind to yourselves, we understand you will just try to do your best.

Although we are closed for many pupils, we remain open for children who are deemed to be vulnerable and those with parents who are classed as critical workers. We have been asked by the Government to reduce the number of contacts between children and staff and keep group sizes small in order to keep everybody safe. **The Government guidance is also clear that parents and carers who are critical workers should keep their children at home if they can.**

We are doing our best to accommodate the children of critical workers and follow the Government's guidance of instructing us to stay at home and keep class sizes small. Therefore, **I would ask that you only request a place for your child(ren) if you have no other option**. Please can you consider this carefully before requesting a place and if you have a child attending but now consider you can manage with them at home we would appreciate you letting us know, we need to keep numbers as low as possible to keep everyone safe and follow government guidance.

We really appreciated your support during the last lockdown and I know you will continue to work with us to keep everybody safe. This is a very difficult time for us all but if we work together, follow the rules and stay at home then we will all be able to return to 'normal' as soon as possible.

Kind Regards,

Mrs Marples
Principal

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