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Dear Children and Families,

What a year 2021 is already shaping up to be! We were only able to manage a term in school before we went back in to national lockdown.

As you know, school has been open for some children for the last 6 weeks, but not everyone. This is so that you and your families can be kept as safe as possible.

Although we haven't seen most of you in school this half term, you have been in our thoughts constantly and I know that you have been keeping in touch with your teachers through DB Primary and when they have phoned to check on you. Teachers are always sending me photographs of the amazing things that you are doing at home and I love seeing them!

I wanted to write to you at the end of this half term, to thank you for everything you have been doing at home with your learning. We really have been overwhelmed by the amount of learning that you are keeping up with and also the quality of it! You should be so proud of yourselves!

Boris Johnson says that we may be able to get children back to school on 8<sup>th</sup> March. I am very much hoping this is the case as we really miss you. As soon as we know when we are able to open, we will of course write to your parents to let them know.

School has changed in many different ways over the last half term. Not only is it much quieter with fewer people here, our new school has also been built! This gives us something to be really excited about and to start looking towards the future. I can't wait for you to come back and see it!

Finally, I would like to say well done and thank you to the children who have been in school for the last few weeks. You have been fabulous! You have worked hard every day, been kind, mature and understanding in very unusual circumstances. I am proud of you all.

Your teachers have worked so hard this half term to make sure that your learning can continue whether you are at home or at school, but I know that they really miss everyone too. We are looking forward to hopefully having every one of you back next half term! Until then, have a very well-deserved break over the half term, you have all earned it – your parents especially!

Stay safe and take care,

Mrs Carrier  
Head Teacher