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Dear Parents/Carers,

Another week over and I hope it has been an enjoyable, if not bearable, one! Hopefully new routines are beginning to settle into place and a new rhythm of life has taken hold.

I have received lots of messages and photos of some of the incredible things the children have been doing. It really has been wonderful to see these things and to be able to stay in contact with the children, thank you. Please keep messaging but do bear with me if I don't reply straight away – I will in the end!

Thank you too for all the messages of support we have received – they are so appreciated and lift all our spirits. THANK YOU!

As I mentioned in my last letter, we will not be sending another grid of school activities today. As it is the Easter break, we have put a variety of Easter activities and more links on the website for the children to have a go at instead. A few people have requested more formal work but this will not be sent until 17th April.

It is really important that the children just get chance to rest, relax and play over the next few weeks. Please don't feel like you have to 'home-school' your child/ren all day, every day. For your own sanity and theirs, everyone needs a break. I know there is so much on social media and the news about things people are doing for 'home-schooling', whilst I think some of this is great I also think it inadvertently can put us under pressure too and make us worry that we aren't doing enough. Please don't feel like this. These are challenging times and I don't know if you are finding the same but sometimes I feel just worn out mentally. At this point we need to take the pressure off ourselves, let the children play and just be. I hope you understand that our teachers also need a break and so will not be replying to messages over the break. Of course, we'll all be back on it after the break and new work will be set.

School will remain open over the Easter period for those children of key workers. Please ring or email if you have any queries.

In the post today, we have sent the children's Spring term reports. Many were written before the school closure so please understand that these haven't been written the way a final report would have been. I hope however you still find them informative. They provide you with information about how your child was doing in class and if they are on track for their age. At this point I'm not sure if there will be another report this academic year. I will let you know as time goes on and we understand better how long the current situation may last.

On Monday, I will be sending another letter to the children for you to share with them.

I hope you and your families are all well and continue to remain so. As always take care and keep smiling,

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Cook

