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Learning, Integrity, Dignity, Love, Confidence.**

Learning together, as we journey with God in Love, we act with Integrity, treat others with Dignity and grow in Confidence.

Dear Families,

12th of February, 2021

Re. Lockdown January 21 – possibly 8th of March 2021

We made it! Happy Half Term to everyone! Thank you for your perseverance and partnership this half term; when it has mattered more than ever.

Thank you to those who have given feedback to the Google Form that we created. All of it is useful for us. In looking at all the responses, the great majority have been very positive about the learning and a noticeably repeated phrase has been appreciation of 'daily structure'. It seems that having staff explain and set work each day, and then expect children to complete it within a time frame, has helped children to take responsibility for their learning (and helped families to cope). The majority have felt that the work is pitched correctly, with about 11.5% saying there is too much work and 11.5% saying there isn't enough challenge! Some feedback is that you would like us to do a bit more about wellbeing.

Teachers have been noting the responses to learning and the level of engagement with each child for our own records and they have also created a one-page feedback sheet for each year group, which we hope will help as we carry on with home learning after half term.

Resilience and Hope responses

Wow! These have been AMAZING! So moving! Thank you so much for all the wonderful contributions to illustrate resilience and hope! It's been really lovely. We have had paintings of future holidays with families, a holiday world created with toys, acrostics poems, dances, Lego creations of HOPE, musical compositions, painting on stones, chalk drawings, making cakes, using the snow to make words and pictures, Bible verses of Hope and God's promises...fabulous creations. Thank you to Mrs Smith for compiling all of it.

Rest and Recuperate.

Thankfully, there is a time for everything... and now is the time to stop home learning and have a rest. Enjoy doing other things. Get outside and walk/run/play games/laugh; make the most of the simple things that we have all come to appreciate.

When we know any more about what next half term will look like, we will communicate asap.

In the meantime, very best wishes and enjoy the rest.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Gruffydd - Headteacher



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