

Grove Vale Primary School

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Dear Year 5 parents,

Happy final day of isolation/remote learning!

We are very excited to welcome Year 5 back to school tomorrow after a period of remote learning. If your child is well and symptom free, we look forward to seeing them as usual at school tomorrow.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank you all for the support over the last two weeks, the children have been brilliant and worked so hard, this is down to high expectations and support from home, it is much appreciated. Year 5 was the first bubble to access remote learning at home under the new government guidlelines so whilst I appreciate how daunting this was for you as parents, this was also very new, unknown and challenging for the staff also. We have learnt a lot in the last few weeks which has enabled us to make positive changes to provision in remote learning practices. Something we are considering is moving away from live teaching and sending pre-recorded lessons instead, this will support parents who also need to work during the day. We started live lessons so children had interaction and an opportunity to have immediate feedback. School would welcome your feedback in relation to this matter.

Thank you to the staff who have worked in a completely different environment with many variables of which they have little control. I appreciate the amount of time and effort they have putting in on a daily basis to ensure children still have an opportunity to learn and interact. I have been monitoring the teams meetings on a regular basis so I can quality assure the sessions and offer support when needed. I have been very impressed with the quality of the sessions given the challenging circumstances. The teachers have been fantastic as teaching through a computer is certainly not what any of us have been expected to do before!

We cannot wait to see the children tomorrow.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Mrs A Connop Head Teacher

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