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Dear Parents/Carers,

Another week completed and only one week to go now before a well-deserved break for all staff, children and parents who are teaching their children at home. Hopefully, we will soon be in a position where we can have all children back in school where they belong with their friends and teachers. We really are missing everyone. School is far too quiet!

Virtual Whole School Trip:

Next Friday is the last day before we put away our laptops for half term. We have therefore decided that we are going on a whole school virtual trip for the day. Next week each phase will receive their timetable for the day listing all the places that they will visit. In the morning there will be a range of short tasks to match the places they have visited online. In the afternoon we will be holding a whole school building competition to see who can build the best building. The photographs that are sent in will then be judged and prizes will be awarded! As I said, further information will follow from your teachers next week but I just thought I would give you the heads up so you can start saving all the cereal boxes etc ready to start building.

Wellbeing Wednesday:

Another change next week will see the introduction of 'Wellbeing Wednesday'. As a staff we are really concerned about the amount of time your child is expected to be on screen at the moment. Therefore, to break up the week we have decided that on a Wednesday afternoon there will be no expectation for your child to be online. Instead, we have created a grid of wellbeing activities which you can complete as a family rather than your child on their own. All we ask is that each Wednesday you choose one or two of the activities, take a photo and send it in. All photos will then be put together to create our very own wellbeing book. I have attached the wellbeing activity grid with this newsletter. Let's make some memories!

Mental Health Week:

This week has been Mental Health Week and the children have taken part in many activities relating to their mental health. Please talk to your children about their learning and don't forget to seek support and advice if you are suffering with your mental health at this time too.

Stars of the Week:

This week's lockdown stars are ...

Early Years bubble:

Remote Learners – **Jade** for working so hard in all that she does and **Tine** for completing lots of Facebook challenges and sending in lots of photos of you having fun! School based – **Poppy** for good listening during PE and carpet time and always being happy and **Joshua** for settling back into school so well and always having a positive attitude.

Year 1/2 bubble:

Remote Learners – **Charley** for her fantastic acting of the enormous turnip and **Oscar** for completing some amazing work with Mrs Nicholson. Well done both of you!

School based – **Jayden** for turning his frown upside down to a huge smile and **Evie** for giving 100% effort with her writing and having a big smile on her face everyday!

Year 3/4 bubble:

Remote Learners – **Kyla** for attending all of her lessons and working really hard and **Tommy** for completing all of his work and sharing some fabulous artwork with us. School based – **Daniel** for some great time telling in Maths and **Millie Rose** for making some excellent progress with her reading.

Year 5/6 bubble:

Remote Learners – **Alice** for always putting in 100% effort and showing amazing resilience in Maths, **Fatima** for excellent engagement with her online learning and developing her confidence in Maths and finally to **Sophia** for the prettiest and pun-iest advert Miss C has ever seen. Well done!

School based –**Molly** for taking great pride in her work, especially her handwriting and **Jenny** for being so creative with her work and always presenting it so beautifully.

WELL DONE to all our stars this week. We have so many more that it could have been though so look out for your name next week!

Stay safe and thank you for your continued support.

Ms S Upton Headteacher