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Dear Parents,

Following the government's announcement, we now know that schools will not reopen before March 8th. We are very aware of the challenges of remote learning for you as parents and want to do all that we can to help.

Teachers are doing their best to personalise the activities to meet the needs of your children, to make it engaging and to respond to your questions as quickly as they can. We have provided laptops and wifi or data to families who have requested support and we will continue do all that we can to make remote learning achievable. We are introducing Family Fun Fridays with a no screen afternoon activity for the whole family to join in with and Well-being Wednesdays will focus more on mental health and coping strategies.

You can help us by completing the <u>Remote Learning Survey</u>. Your feedback is very important.

I hope your son or daughter is enjoying the class "catch up" meetings. This is a chance for them to chat to their friends and teachers, "catch up" on what is happening in class and play a game or two. It is a great way to help your child feel less isolated during lockdown. If you are finding it tricky to log onto the meetings, there is a "how to" guide attached.

Please keep in contact with school. Under normal circumstances, you are expected to bring your child to school each day. Under these exceptional circumstances, you are expected to ensure your child accesses their learning remotely each day. We know successful learning is a partnership between home and school. If your son or daughter is struggling with remote learning or not engaging, we are here to help. Please contact us. There is also a link on our school Facebook page to a free course run by Hampshire Library Service for parents struggling with the demands of remote learning and our Kite Family Hub is available.

There is so much fantastic learning happening in our school community. Thank you to all of you who are supporting your children at this difficult time. You are doing a great job.

Best wishes,

Ms. N Slater Academy Head



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