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Dear Parents and Carers,

This term I will be sending a catch up letter once a week. This is to let everyone know any developments over the week and celebrate anything that has been happening in our school community.

If you have anything to share please email me by 10:00am on a Friday and I'll try and include it in the next catch up letter.

You will have seen in the news this week that the government have set a target date of 8<sup>th</sup> March for possible reopening of schools. This will depend on case numbers continuing to fall and many other factors. At present there is much speculation in the media of how reopening will take place. Nothing has come out to schools as it is just too early to predict what will happen.

As a parent myself contending with home learning and juggling full time work, I understand how difficult it is. Every family is facing challenges but in order to get through this we must all still play our part. I have spoken to many parents this week and the vast majority feel the same. Any learning that takes place will be of benefit to your child. Remember learning is not just about sitting in front of a screen, a walk offers lots of opportunities for children to learn or playing a game together. Wellbeing, is of high priority, at this time and it is important that families do things together.

Lots of children are now taking part in Zoom lessons, Yr 2 had the highest number this week of 27! It's lovely for staff to see the children and the children to see their friends. I have been amazed at the variety of different ways the teachers have provided home learning.

This morning I took part in Years 3 and 4 'The Animal Experience' we were shown lots of different animals. My favourite was the Blue Tounged Skink. Children got to ask the expert lots of questions.

As ever, if there is anything we can do to support please contact class teachers or myself.

Stay safe.

Mrs E Pearson

