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Dear Parents and Carers

This letter is simply to say 'Thank you'. This has been an incredibly difficult term with parents, children and staff having to adapt to a national lockdown which was put into place with virtually no notice.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we adapted to a new way of teaching. Many schools had already been able to try out their home learning provision in the Autumn term, but as we had been fortunate last term in not having to send any bubbles home it did mean that we had not had the opportunity to try our home learning prior to the lockdown, so there were a few difficulties for some families which hopefully together we have managed to resolve.

We have been so impressed with the high levels of engagement from so many of our pupils this term and this would not have been possible without the tremendous support you as parents and carers have given to your children. I am sure there have been some difficult times while you try to juggle your own jobs and personal pressures, whilst at the same time trying to motivate your children to engage in their learning.

The children who have been in school have also proved to be incredibly resilient, adapting to being in different class bubbles and not always having their own teacher.

We know that quite a few of our families have suffered loss of family and close friends during the last 6 weeks and we send our deepest sympathies to you all.

We hope that half term gives both you and your children a welcome respite from school and home learning and that you are able to spend time together doing things you enjoy. We wish you all a restful and enjoyable week.

Please stay safe.

Best wishes

Mrs Wrigley and the staff of Greenbank.