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Dear Parents/ Carers,

I hope you enjoyed the half-term break. I am sure you are all just as relieved as we are that school will be fully open from March 8th. We cannot wait to welcome all of your wonderful children back and we will continue to do our best to ensure school is as Covid-secure as possible – I will send more details out in my newsletter next week. We are also looking forward to welcoming Mrs Barlow back tomorrow – she returns from her maternity leave and will be in school every Thursday and Friday.

Unfortunately, I have to inform you that two staff members who tested positive for Coronavirus before half term are still not well enough to return to work. Indeed, one member of staff is currently in hospital. I am sure you join with me in wishing them both a speedy and full recovery. The staff members concerned wanted me to share this news to remind us all how devastating this virus can be and how we all need to continue to follow the rules to keep everyone safe.

World Book Day

World Book Day this year is officially Thursday March 4th. However, we will hold our Book Day on Thursday 11th March, so that all of the children can share the same experience in school. This year will, of course, be very different and more low-key. Under the current circumstances, we will not ask you to carry out any non-essential shopping for costumes, nor is it fair that we ask you to order costumes on-line when we know that so many families are currently having financial difficulties. We are also aware that so many of you have spent the last 8 weeks home-schooling, so the last thing you will want to be doing when the children are back is creating a costume from scratch!

Therefore, we have decided that this year's theme will be "School days." Staff will focus on a book that is set in a school and link their activities to it ... as long as the children are in their uniform, then they will be "dressed" for the occasion!

Unfortunately, the children will not be able to bring in their books to share this year.

Thank you all for your continued support – stay safe and remember: not too long to go now until March 8th!

Mrs Waplington.

