

Dear all,

It was such a joy to see the children's faces as they met each other and took part in their yoga sessions this week. We are really looking forward to welcoming everyone back into school on Monday.

I would like to reassure you that our risk assessments are in place and that we have tried to keep the classroom layout and routines of the day as normal as possible so that the children feel comfortable in school.

A few changes to the regular routine will be that two new members of staff (Mrs Springett and Mrs Game) will be present and that Mrs Thain will not be with us until Thursday – or possibly the following Monday.

Over the next three weeks leading up to Easter, teachers will be focusing on pupil's mental health and social and emotional skills. Just being in a room full of people is going to feel strange. Our aim is to help pupils to settle into good learning routines, reassure them and celebrate the masses of good work completed and new skills acquired since Christmas.

During the second week we will be holding 'parents sessions', either by phone call or zoom. Details of these will be sent to you early next week.

We will be assessing in reading, writing and maths during the last week of term and, after Easter, we will allocate our Catch Up funding to target individuals and groups. We will let you know more about this as soon as we can.

It is good to be able to sign a letter to you with:

'I will see you on Monday'

Have a lovely weekend

Sue Dodd