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Dear Parents,

So ends one of the strangest half terms ever. Starting with the closure of all schools twenty four hours after the Prime Minister had told the nation on TV that schools would be going back after Christmas, to the challenges and successes of Remote Learning, I think it is fair to say that this has been a very tough few weeks for everyone.

I have to say once again that one of the positives in all of this is the resilience and positivity displayed each and every day by the school community. All staff, parents and governors continue to pull together to support our school and the children within it and I thank you all. I once again thank so many of you for keeping your children at home, keeping our numbers as low as possible to keep us all safe and to allow us to deliver our Remote Learning. If we had a sudden spike in numbers of children attending school, this would seriously impact on our ability to provide Remote Learning. Also, for those of you who have had to use our school during this time, I thank you for doing so sparingly and only when absolutely necessary.

Once you announce a date that something “might” happen, people pencil that date in their diary and expectations start to rise. So we have a date of **8<sup>th</sup> March** pencilled in all our diaries. What we don’t know at the moment is what (if anything) might happen on that date. It very much looks as if the government are wisely going to use half-term to analyse data and gain an understanding of how things are looking before making an announcement probably on Monday February 22<sup>nd</sup>. We all know what the first two weeks after half-term look like. As soon as I know the picture for the weeks thereafter, I will communicate with you all.

### **PTA Annual General Meeting**

A reminder that you are all invited to the PTA AGM on Wednesday February 24<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm. The Zoom link is below.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/7838622973?pwd=b1FBOWhMeGdJN0xNT3N0Q2hDYIVrZz09>

I am sure you would join me in thanking all of the staff for their incredibly hard work over this half-term. I hope they get a well-earned rest over this next week.

Kind regards

A Ferguson  
Head Teacher

