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Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

It's been another fantastic week from children and staff here at St Peter's; the effort going in to providing and completing the home learning has continued to be excellent and I know speak for the whole staff team when I say a huge 'thank you' to you all for your support of our home learning offer.

I'd also like to pass on my thanks to those of you who took the time to complete the Parent Survey sent out in last week's letter; this feedback will be invaluable for me and the staff team to reflect on and, where necessary, make adjustments to improve what we are currently offering. Below are some further updates regarding next week and beyond:

### **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February – Takeover Day**

To celebrate the end of a very tough term for us all, we wanted to put on a 'Takeover Day' for pupils next Friday. This will involve each class stepping away from the 'traditional' home learning we have offered this term; instead, staff will be recording an activity each for children at home and in school to choose from. While the complete list of activities is yet to be confirmed, so far, we know there will be pancake making, art and even a 'Find Mr Buckley' game.

When the full list of activities is confirmed, we will send out further information, so families have time to gather any necessary resources.

### **'Dress to Impress' Celebration Assembly**

Following the 'success' of 'Bad Hair Friday' this week, next week we are adding a new theme to our Friday Celebration Assembly. The theme will be 'Dress To Impress' so it will be time to dust off the tuxedos and party frocks in time for our traditional assembly on Zoom!

### **Telephone Calls from Staff**

As mentioned in last week's letter, teaching staff are making phone calls home to see how children in their class are getting on. As some staff members will be making these calls from home, please be aware that they may appear as a 'withheld number'. This is so staff do not have to reveal their mobile/home phone numbers.

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### **Next Term**

As we have become accustomed over the past 11 months, there are many aspects of children returning to school that we are still none the wiser on. However, we do know that this will not take place until at least Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March at the earliest. This means that, following the half-term break, school will remain open to children of key workers and those who are vulnerable at the start of next term. Those children remaining at home will continue to receive the same home learning offer available this term.

Finally, thank you once again for your continued support of your child's learning and of our school community. We will continue to update you with any relevant information between now and the end of term, but in the meantime please get in touch via the school office if there is anything else we can do to support you and your family.

Best wishes,

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I am sure that, like myself, you have been impressed with the work on offer for your child so far this term. However, **if you do have any constructive feedback around what is being provided, can I ask that this is sent to the school office by email ([office@stpetersprimary.co.uk](mailto:office@stpetersprimary.co.uk)) or phone (01454631137)**. I can then ensure that this feedback is passed on to staff at an appropriate time, as opposed to it being sent to them directly on Google Classroom.

Starting next week, teaching staff will be making phone calls home each week to as many of their pupils as they can between then and the end of term. Please be reassured that these phone calls are in no way monitoring calls or a way of keeping tabs on anyone; the purpose is to check-in with as many of our families as we can and make sure we are doing everything we can to support you all.

### **Safeguarding**

Please remember that you are able to contact school to report any safeguarding or child protection concerns you may have during this worrying time. These can be sent to our school email address ([office@stpetersprimary.co.uk](mailto:office@stpetersprimary.co.uk)) or by calling the office (0145 631137); if no-one is able to take your call, please leave a message with your name and contact number and either myself or Mr Hunt will be in touch ASAP.

Alternatively, the following individuals/teams are still working within our local area and can also be contacted to report any safeguarding/child protection concerns:

#### **Local Authority's Designated Officer (LADO)**

Tina Wilson 01454868508 / [Tina.Wilson@southglos.gov.uk](mailto:Tina.Wilson@southglos.gov.uk)

#### **South Gloucestershire Access & Response Team**

01454 866000 / [accessandresponse@southglos.gov.uk](mailto:accessandresponse@southglos.gov.uk)

Finally, once again a huge 'thank you' for your continued support of our school during this time. I'd like to wish you all a safe and enjoyable weekend; please don't hesitate to get in touch if you need anything at all.

Best wishes,

Rhys Buckley