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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been lovely to see the children get back to 'some normality' after three weeks back at school. The children are not in rigid bubbles, but we do tend to keep them with their own class as much as we can. This is to avoid spreading Covid and is in line with advice we are given by the government. We still do not have whole-school assemblies, but instead teachers carry out class ones which are often more personal and look at issues directly related to the class.

In school, the children continue to have access to all of the subjects across the curriculum. We believe in giving children a broad and balanced set of knowledge and skills that they can use for later in life or for their next phase of learning. English and Maths are prioritised on a morning though, because these are vital skills after the children have missed so much school time after Covid.

Recently, a survey went out to find preferences for parents evening, if we are allowed to meet in person. However, many parents opted for phone consultations because we found these worked well last year. I will keep you informed on this.

At school we have a wonderful 'Friends of Village Primary Association' that look to organise community events that bring the school and the community together and also raise money for our fantastic children. If you are ever interested in helping out now and again, or joining, please speak to Mr Chris Swales as the group would love to hear from you. His email address is: [chris.swales164@outlook.com](mailto:chris.swales164@outlook.com)

Finally, thank you for continuing to support us with homework, reading with the children, practising spellings and getting the children to school on time. These things all make a difference towards making the children happier as well as giving them more chances of success when they are older. Reading every night is the key to helping your child in every subject. If you need any support, help or advice with home learning please ask.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'R Birtwhistle'.

R Birtwhistle  
Headteacher.



'Staff and Governors are committed to keeping children safe'.