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Dear Parents & Carers,

I hope this letter finds you well and feeling a little warmer than you have been over the last couple of weeks!

I would like to thank you for all of the responses I have received from the survey that was sent out about remote learning. We are really proud of the amazing way that our staff have responded to these unprecedented times and it was lovely to hear how much you appreciate their efforts too. I also value your feedback on our online provision and what you feel could make it even better.

As with everything at Coopers Lane, we are constantly reflecting on what we offer and are keen to make any improvements where we feel that it will have a positive impact on the children. To that end, we are making some slight amendments to our online provision from Monday 1st February for the children in Reception–Year 6.

The current daily drop in sessions for each year group are going to be replaced on a Monday to Thursday by what we are calling our 'Class Connection' meetings. The purpose of these meetings is for all children in a class to receive some live feedback and teaching from their class teacher and to interact regularly with their classmates. The meetings will be approximately 30 minutes in length and will take place in the morning at different times depending on the year group (times will be posted on Google classroom this evening, Friday 29th January).

Please note: *Whole year group VIP sessions will continue unchanged.*

The expectation is that **ALL** children attend these sessions every day and a **register will be taken**. We understand that sometimes it may not be possible for your child to attend and, if this is the case, all we ask is that you inform your child's class teacher via email.

We appreciate how hard home schooling can be, especially for those parents who are working from home, but we want to make sure that your children are receiving the support they need to ensure that the impact of COVID-19 on their education is minimised. These 'Class Connection' sessions will be vital in making sure this is the case and, therefore, we expect you to ensure that your child attends.

Regular feedback to the children is very important and our staff spend a large part of the day providing feedback for the work submitted on Google Classroom. As much as possible, we try to provide feedback for the work submitted up to the morning after an assignment is set. Any work submitted after this is unlikely to get feedback, as it just isn't possible to manage checking back on previous assignments. Where possible, it's best for the children to complete the work set for that day, but we do understand that sometimes this isn't manageable. The children can still submit other work, but there will only be time to feedback on the most recent assignments set.

As always, we value your continued support and can't thank you enough for all of the kind messages that the staff have received. It really means the world to hear how much you appreciate their hard work. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank you for everything that you are doing to support your children at home. These are difficult times and it is clear to me that the only way through it is to support each other as much as we possibly can. Thankfully, we are all lucky enough to be part of this amazing school community and, together, we can do anything.

Stay safe and keep smiling,

Paul Hooper
Head Teacher



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