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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing as we reach the end of an extremely challenging half term, both for us in school and for you as parents at home. Yet again, many of you have been called upon to be your child's teacher as well as their parent and we know this places demands upon you which are tough to manage. We are all also concerned about the emotional impact of this third lockdown on our children and the long-term effects of another prolonged interruption to normal school life. My staff have done their absolute best to provide for the children, at home and at school, and to support you as parents as much as they possibly can. I also know those of you who have become the home educators again have also done your very best to keep learning going.

With this in mind, I urge everyone to use this half term holiday to have a proper break from teaching and learning. I know that some of you will still be working but at the very least hopefully you can enjoy a week of not having to combine your own job with home learning or the school run. In these extraordinary times we owe it to ourselves and the children to take whatever chances we have to recharge our batteries - and let the children recharge theirs.

If you need to get hold of anyone at school after today, please use the school gmail if it is urgent (trinityfrome@gmail.com) and I will do my best to respond within 24 hours. If you do not need a response before we return, please use the office email at the top of the page. Teaching staff will not be responding to Class Dojo messages or emails as I want them all to have a good break.

Staff will carry out home tests this Sunday and the following Sunday. If we have a positive result I will inform you using the whole school Dojo and ParentPay. Hopefully this will not be necessary.

We have been told there will be no announcements next week regarding schools, but we are expecting one when we return. I hope that we will be able to return to school with all pupils very soon, but obviously any full return to school needs to be considered carefully and we also need to be confident that it will be safe for everyone involved.

Yours sincerely,
Amanda Seager

