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Dear Parents/Carers,

Further to my recent updates about Coronavirus, I am pleased to report that the situation regularized and current cases have since dropped from above 40 to less than 30, as children have started to return from their isolations.

Thank you so much for your support for and commitment to testing during the last week or so. We have been able to overcome a difficult time and I really hope that we can look forward to the next half term with more optimism. We know that cases are still high across the country, particularly in children, but hope to see this start to reduce in the coming weeks.

I am happy to report that I am feeling much happier this week!

Happy News Friday

- 🌟 **Our children** continue to be amazing. Those in school have displayed great understanding and teamwork, whilst those at home have been committed to learning on MS Teams. I have even seen children logged onto video calls within half an hour of finding out they have to remain at home. The children have also played their part in taking LFTs and PCR tests. We know it is not pleasant but they have been stoic and fantastic. **They always make me feel proud.**
- 🌟 **The staff** continue to balance teaching children in class with helping those at home learn on MS Teams. I know that our provision far exceeds that in many schools and I am grateful for their commitment and support for our children. Support staff have all played their part too by covering for each other and assisting where needed.
- 🌟 **You, the parents/carers** have provided invaluable support for the children and school. I know that testing the children is not always easy but it has really helped. Thank you again for your positive messages to the staff and I; your kindness is much appreciated.

I wish you all a happy and restful half term break.

Yours sincerely,

David Hugill

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Headteacher