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Life in all its fullness

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Dear All

This evening we are sending home a written report from your child's teacher (Y1 to Y6). This report reflects the first three months of this academic year and has been sent to you due to the problems of having a face-to-face Parents' Evening this term.

Since September, we have concentrated on helping our pupils to 'reset'. This has involved each pupil remembering and using the appropriate personal, social and learning skills for our school environment. It has been a challenge for some pupils following the experience of Lockdown #1. It has affected each child in a different way. Each child has faced different challenges.

Our priority from the beginning of term was to...

re-kindle relationships, re-establish routines and to reset school life!

As always at Stratford-sub-Castle Primary School, <u>reading</u> has also been a major focus. 'Speaking & Listening' and reading are the bedrock to all the other academic pursuits your children encounter in school and beyond! With this in mind we have assessed children's' reading using a standardised test. This helps us to base line their reading skills following a momentous few months.

The vast majority of children have made good progress or maintained their levels of reading so all your hard work during Lockdown #1 has paid off. Well done! Where children have not made progress with their reading or fallen behind, we will be supporting them in school to improve their reading skills. Regular practise... a little and often is crucial to making progress with reading so please do keep going with this.

Please note that we have only assessed a child's reading age or spelling age (using a standardised test) when we have felt they are emotionally ready and possess the required skills to be 'tested'.

We have sent home your child's Maths book for you to look at. **Please ensure it is returned tomorrow**, as it will be needed for lessons.

Some final thoughts...

This report is instead of the Parents' Evenings we had hoped to hold in November. If you need to talk to your child's teacher, Mrs Watkins or Mrs Bridson please do not hesitate to contact the school.

We hope to hold the next Parents' Evenings (March) either in real life or via a screen!

Kindest regards,

Kay Bridson