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**Dear Parent Carers** 

We would like to thank you for your support and collaboration during these unprecedented times. As a school, we are committed to working in close partnership with yourselves and recognise each family is unique, and because of this remote learning will look different for different families. We appreciate how hard you are all working to support your son/daughter with their learning, whether that be remotely or whilst your child is in school and we are very aware that some pupils will be able to complete more work than others due to a variety of circumstances. This is widely understood and accepted by us as a school and I want you to know that we will do all we can to support you with whatever you are able to do and we aim to make our expectations realistic.

Alongside the above, the needs of all our pupils are unique and teaching staff are working exceptionally hard to try to meet the needs of all our pupils in the best way possible through providing a structure to the day, Zoom lessons, provision of resources/equipment/ideas, a Learning Platform and so on. The Learning Platform is a useful facility to which pupils/families can upload work completed so that teachers can see how your child is getting on and assess their work. For more information on the Learning Platform please refer to the school website, 'Home Learning' and then 'Remote Education Information for Parent Carers'.

With current working practices, I am insistent that staff work realistic hours to manage all of the above as effectively and efficiently as possible. I am committed to protecting the wellbeing of our staff and I know that you respect this, and as part of this there is no expectation for staff to be sending/replying to emails or providing work during non-working hours. The school office is staffed during full-time working hours and the answer phone is on during non-working hours, so please leave messages there if necessary.

Please do let me know if there is anything further we can help with, and as always I thank you for all your positive messages to us and for your patience and support during this time.

Yours sincerely

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