## **Water Primary School**

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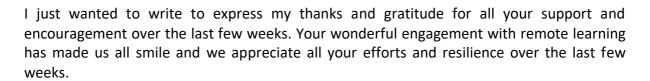
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Dear families,



As some of you are aware, I sadly lost my dad over the Christmas period and it has been an extremely difficult time for my family and I, but I wanted to thank you all for your patience, support and encouragement during this time. My dad was a wonderful man and I will miss him so much. Over the last week, I have spent some much needed time and reflection with my family and I wanted to express my sincere gratitude to all the staff at school, who have continued to ensure our children receive the very best education and care. I would also like to say a huge thank you to Miss McKay and Mrs Edington, who have led the school brilliantly in my absence and it is so reassuring to know that we have a team of school leaders who are skilled and passionate about our school, families and learners. Well done Miss McKay and Mrs Edington.

Home learning and remote learning is difficult, extremely difficult, many of you are balancing home life and home learning, whilst at the same time trying to complete your own jobs and tasks. I thank you all for trying to combine all of this. The posts, photos and videos on SeeSaw are just wonderful. Whilst thanking our amazing NHS is important, I also think we should give a weekly clap and appreciation to all our amazing families and children, you have all shown tremendous resilience and courage during this difficult time.

In terms of remote learning, please don't worry, all we can do is try our best, it is difficult. Do not compare yourself to others, we are unique and your situation is unique to you. Any post, interaction and engagement with our learning is really appreciated by all of us. We do not expect you to complete every activity. It is there to help and guide.

Please remember If you are having trouble with technology then please do let me know because we can help. We can help with data charges, laptops etc. I know that technology can be difficult, so please get in touch if you are experiencing any difficulties. I am more than happy to run things through with you. Please note this offer of help is not about











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learning or the expectation of your child completing 3,4 or 5 hours of remote learning daily, this is really not attainable or in fact desirable. It is about connecting with you all and making sure everyone is ok in this very difficult time. We just want to help you, to support you and make sure you are ok.

Over the next few weeks we will be trying to connect through lots of different ways. Virtual zoom meetings, videos, quiz nights, bingo, virtual hot chocolate afternoons and physical activity challenges. If you can get involved please do, because it would be lovely to see you and your smiles.

Please remember this storm will pass and together we can make things easier for each other. We can be hopeful of a happier and healthier time. All we can do is try our best.

Take care

Mr Willan Headteacher











