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Spring COVID Update 2

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this letter finds you safe and well.

Last night, the Prime Minister announced another national lockdown similar to that in March. During his announcement, he stated that all primary schools will close to all but critical worker children and vulnerable groups. **He also stated that school closure will be until February half-term. The Government will review the lockdown measures on Monday 15th February.**

We understand that there are challenges ahead as families continue to cope with a range of pressures. We believe that we can carry on working together as a community to support one another as we have done throughout the pandemic.

During lockdown, most staff will be working from home on their remote learning programme. Some staff will be at school supporting the children of critical workers and vulnerable groups. All staff will be working during this period.

We will regularly review our remote learning offer to ensure children can continue to learn to a high standard and so you feel supported as a family. We understand that remote learning is not the same as being at school but our aim is for children to continue to engage with learning and to stay motivated. Your feedback is appreciated. We want to know what is working well and what could be improved. We will always do our best to work with you and to offer quality provision during this difficult time.

Please email Parentcomms with any queries, issues or feedback. We will get back to you within a day. The phones are not always manned so emailing school is the best way to communicate.

After the first lockdown, we saw children return to school with enthusiasm and determination. We will be ready again to assess, challenge and support children in their learning when they return.

On behalf of everyone at Derwentwater, thank you for your patience and understanding at this uncertain time. I will keep you informed of any government changes and school updates.

Kind regards

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Our vision is to create a community of successful learners who feel confident, happy and safe and who show respect for themselves, each other and the environment.

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