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Dear Children

Thank you for trying hard with your learning at home. We are extremely proud of everything you have achieved. On Monday, we look forward to welcoming you back to school. We know several of you are feeling rather nervous so we have made sure your first week is filled with lots of fun!

There will be interesting activities for you to take part in but most importantly, you will be able to spend time talking to your friends and teachers. It has been a long time since you last saw each other and we know that you will have lots to share!

In the morning, there will be English and Maths activities. We will introduce you to some new and exciting times table games, practise spelling and handwriting and read for pleasure. Your teacher will listen to you read and check that you are on the correct book band level. We look forward to seeing how much progress you have made with your reading.

In the afternoon, you will take part in some spring Art projects and be given the opportunity to experiment with watercolours, paint and other materials. Weather permitting, we will go outside for mindful walks and to plant seeds. We will also have PSHE lessons in the afternoon and these will be about relationships.

On Wednesdays, you will still have your music lesson with Mrs Charters and Jamie will continue to lead your outdoor PE lesson. Make sure you turn up in a PE kit on Wednesday. On Friday 12th March, we look forward to watching 'The Wizard of Oz' by M&M Productions. How exciting!

During the first week back, it is especially important that everyone feels happy, safe and calm so we will remind ourselves of our class charter and our school values. Your teacher will be introducing a new behaviour monitoring system called 'Trackit Lights'. You will be able to earn positive behaviour points if you demonstrate our school values: Community, Aspiration, Respect and Excellence. It will be visible on the teacher's whiteboard for us all to monitor throughout the day. More information will be sent out to your parents soon.

We look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Monday. Remember to say good morning to all the children and teachers and to pass the smile on. We are confident you will have a fantastic first day back!

Mrs Bremner and Miss Lovegrove