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Dear Families,

As we approach the end of this challenging half term I wanted to write to families to provide an update before school closes for the holiday tomorrow.

Learner Welfare and Support

First of all, I just want to thank all of our fabulous learners and their families for their resilience and continued commitment to their learning during this extremely difficult period.

We know how challenging things are for everyone at the moment so it's been really positive that we've been able to speak with and offer support to so many of our learners and families through our welfare calls.

Whilst school will be closed to staff and learners next week (Mon 15th to Fri 19th February), learners and families who require any support can access a range of external support services. Information about these services can be found by clicking [here](#).

Remote Learning

It has been really pleasing that learner's engagement in their remote learning has remained so high during this first half term. Remote learning will resume on Monday 22nd February, which is a **BLUE WEEK**. Learners will no doubt be well aware of their remote learning timetable but should they wish to be reminded of this, information can be found on the school's website and via Insight.

Free School Meals

The school continues to issue vouchers to eligible families via the national voucher scheme facilitated by EdenRed. All vouchers have now been issued for this half term. Vouchers will continue to be issued on a fortnightly basis after the half term holidays.

As was the case at Christmas, Tameside have provided the school with vouchers for eligible families to support them over the half term holiday. Eligible families should have received a £15 voucher for Morrisons today for each child who is entitled to Free School Meals.

If you have any questions about Free School Meal vouchers then please do not hesitate to contact Dr Potter at school.

Critical worker and vulnerable provision in school

School remains open to the children of critical workers and those classified as vulnerable. Should families who are eligible for provision require their child to be in school, can I ask that you please contact Dr Potter at school so that this can be discussed.



Government's Roadmap to Re-opening

We anticipate that the government are going to announce their road map for re-opening schools on Monday 22nd February. We will be studying this guidance carefully so that we can plan for the safe return of children to school as soon as we are given permission to re-open. As soon as we are in a position to do so, we will write to families after the holidays to share the government's plans and our response to them.

I hope our learners (and their families!) have a well-deserved break away from school next week and allow themselves some time to relax and recharge.

Many thanks for your continued support during these unprecedented times.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs T Marshall
Deputy Headteacher