

12th February 2021

Dear parents / carers,

On behalf of the Governor's, I would like to say a huge 'thank you' to you all.

I appreciate that you are all working very hard to support your children's learning, often whilst trying to balance work and family life commitments.

During this lockdown the school has been in a position to offer home learning that has included a daily virtual catch up and weekly skills lessons. It's been pleasing to hear from Mrs Barker-Doe just how many children have been enjoying these sessions, which as well as being a good way to reaffirm the days teaching also provides the opportunity for the children to see their teacher and classmates.

For those of you who cannot work from home but are only sending your childen into school when no alternative arrangements can be made, this is greatly appreciated, as it helps the school to keep class bubbles sizes to a minimum and reduce the risks to all.

I've really enjoyed seeing all the children's learning which has been shared on the school's website. There's been so much amazing work, from Roman soldier diaries, Great fire of London silhouettes, Edvard Munch artwork, various weaving projects and ecological bird feeders. Thank you to everyone, who has proudly shared their children's work.

I'm hopeful that the children will be able to return to school in March and once the school receives more information about the phased return, this will be reviewed by senior leaders and myself before being communicated to you.

Lastly, I would like to thank the team at Calton Primary School & Playgroup for their hard work and dedication. They have provided quality and varied work across all curriculum subjects, along with engaging and interactive catch up sessions, whilst remaining open for critical worker children to attend lessons. None of this would have been possible without the support staff performing their roles unassumingly in the background.

I wish you all an enjoyable half term.

Best wishes,

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