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Dear Parents/Carers,

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### Parent Consultations

We feel it important for teachers to catch up with parents to discuss how the children have settled in, particularly after such a long period away from school in the Spring/Summer. Unfortunately, we are unable to offer face to face appointments, so will instead be booking appointments for phone consultations. The appointment system will be done via text as usual but please be aware that this will be an approximate time. Please note, some teachers will be working from home on this day so the number may come up as 'blocked'. If you miss the call, please rest assured, the teacher will try again when they have a gap in their appointments. In the case of separated parents, I ask that only one makes the appointment via the texting system. Feel free to contact the office to make a separate appointment for another day.

Please note, Nursery and Reception teachers are still in the process of carrying out baseline assessments. Therefore phone consultations for these children will take place after half term.

We are also carrying out assessments of all children in order to identify those in need of extra support. Mrs Bayliss will be arranging the catch up sessions with support staff for after half term so teachers will not have this information yet. Their discussion with you will be more about how the children have settled and are getting on in class.

Being a teacher at the moment is harder than it has ever been and I am very mindful of just how exhausted our teachers are, particularly at the end of the day. I have therefore taken the decision to cover teachers for a day in order to carry out the phone calls instead of the usual after school appointments. I know for some in work, this may not be ideal but with many working from home and the children in school, I hope it is not too problematic.

Please look out for texts which will be coming out soon over the next few days.

Thank you for your ongoing support in these difficult times.

Yours faithfully,

Gen Hallett  
Headteacher