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Dear Parents/Carers,

Half Term 15th—19th February

I really hope you all manage to have a relaxing half term break next week. Staff will not be contacting you or setting remote learning for the coming week as they need a rest as well. School will open again for some children on Monday 22nd February and there will be a full remote learning offer from that date.

School Reopening

The government will be outlining their plans to reopen schools on Monday 22nd February and some form of reopening will take place from Monday 8th March. We have no further information regarding this and it is likely that we will find out the government plan when you do. Rest assured that I will contact you as soon as I no more about dates etc.

Catch Up Planning

We are already exploring plans to help children catch up as soon as they come back to school. I will share the detail of this plan as soon as we have more information on funding etc. from the Department for Education. The plan will contain focused interventions, tutoring and additional training for staff on identifying gaps and accelerating children's progress. There will obviously be a focus on wellbeing, physical activity and mental health.

Curriculum Review

On Wednesday there was a workshop for parents and carers on Decolonising our Curriculum. Karen Brooke, an independent consultant, led the session. I have received great feedback on the session but I am very aware that many of you will have been working or supporting remote learning. I recorded the presentation and will post it on the Kentish Town website for any interested parents or carers to take a look.

Friday Fun Sessions

Please encourage your child/ren to sign up for a session tomorrow. We want to give the children some creative/fun time to start the holiday.

And Finally...

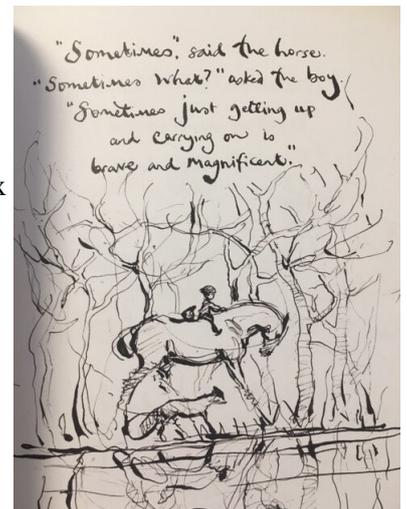
Thank you so much for getting through the last half term. I have been a teacher for 25 years and this has been the hardest January/February period I can remember. I think you have all done an amazing job of supporting learning, managing your own work, keeping well and just getting through. I am so proud of you all. The next half term WILL be easier, lighter, warmer and we are all hoping children will be in school! I know I want that more than anything.

Take heart from these wise words from The Boy, The Horse, The Mole and the Fox by Charlie Mackesy. I am sure the Owl Bookshop will have copies.

You have been brave and magnificent. Thank you.

Best wishes,
James Humphries

Headteacher



Notifying School of a Positive Covid—19 Test Result

Parents and carers of children in the school provision are asked to please email [ad-min@kentishtown.camden.sch.uk](mailto:admin@kentishtown.camden.sch.uk) on Saturday 13th and Sunday 14th February if your child has a positive test for Covid – 19. We will then be able to notify the Bubble for their safety and that of any family members that they are in contact with over the half term period. We will then check the email address again on Sunday 21st February before the children return to school on Monday 22nd February.