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Dear Parents and Carers,

As we finish our first half term I would like to thank you all for working with us to adapt to the different systems and structures that we have put in place for our pupils safe return in September. We continually review these systems and are ensuring that advice from the Department for Education and the Local Authority is considered in any changes we make.

Across this half term our pupils have settled back into school and we have been able to spend time exploring their feelings and thoughts through our daily PSHE sessions. These sessions will continue after half term as part of our Social, Emotional Learning (SEL) curriculum, which is pivotal in helping children be as successful as they can be through developing their emotional well-being. We have also welcomed our new Reception children into school, who have started their journey with us. I know that the adults in Reception have been really impressed with how the children have settled into their daily routines and have started to make new friends. As Headteacher of Unsworth I am always incredibly proud of our children's achievements, but I have to say that across this half term the children have amazed me with their reflections about the world around them and their thoughts on what it means to be part of our school community.

It is vital over half term that as parents you continue to make contact with school via the school email if your child or any other members of the household have symptoms of Covid19 and subsequently test positive. This is particularly important during the upcoming weekend, as this may impact on other children and staff who they have had contact with in school during the last week of term. This is because we would need to alert them of the need to self-isolate and what date this would be until. It is also crucial that children do not come to school if they or any other members of their household have symptoms, as this could have a huge impact on a class when we return after the half term break.

We are looking forward after half term to continuing to move our children forward in their learning and to supporting our PTA with the upcoming virtual family disco. We will also be rolling out our virtual learning platform Microsoft Teams to those classes that have not yet accessed it and providing further virtual parent training around how to navigate the platform. Our new remote learning page is live on our website and can be found using this link <https://unsworth-primary.co.uk/parents/remote-learning/> Please let us know how you get on with the PTA Pumpkin Trail over half term by sharing with us on Twitter or Tapestry. Thank you again for helping to support us as a school as we work to keep our community as safe as possible.

Yours Sincerely

Mr Rhodes

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Head teacher

