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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for completing our survey on remote learning. Please find a summary of the responses by clicking on the link below:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/AnalysisPage.aspx?id=ly-wBLjQD06xAkcrNvc7Co0ybKZTsCBFnjn2Wac1nvZUQUxVRUNOWTdVWkhSRIZYS1AzVk1PSkhOUC4u&AnalyzerToken=d8AradxqHoKfoF7V7zBB8JGopt3k5agM>

Your responses were overwhelmingly positive, thank you. It is great to be able to feedback such praise to our teachers.

A few of you commented that Class Dojo can be difficult to write on. We do have the capacity to use Microsoft Office 365, however as we went into lockdown so quickly we had not shown the children how to use this and staff had not accessed up to date training for it. We felt that it was better to keep with platforms that were familiar to both staff and children. We can see the potential with using 365 in the future when we can set it up properly and train the children how to access it.

We received some useful comments about the possibility of live lessons, we appreciate that some parents would like their children to have lessons in real time however research by both Ofsted: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/whats-working-well-in-remote-education/whats-working-well-in-remote-education>

and The Education Endowment Foundation:

<https://educationendowmentfoundation.org.uk/news/prof-becky-francis-in-tes-why-research-on-remote-learning-offers-hope/>

has shown that live lessons are no more or less effective than non-live lessons, it is the quality of the provision that is key. In non-live teaching, teachers can give personalised feedback to each child, children can pause videos so that they can access learning at their own pace and also lessons can be accessed by children and parents at a time that suits them and their families.

We hope that having the Zoom sessions will provide an opportunity for the children to connect with their peers. Teaching staff have found it to be a very positive experience and have thoroughly enjoyed catching up with their classes.

We had suggestions about phoning parents to check in with them. Mrs Coleman will be doing this regularly. If you need further help and assistance with home learning please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind regards,

Sian Harmer

Headteacher

