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Dear parents,

I hope that you are well. To those families self -isolating I extend best wishes.

Many of our children, in spite of great efforts have regressed in their learning because of the March - June period spent in 'Lockdown'. This was only to be expected and assessments that the teachers have been undertaking have provided us with the data, that shows that this is the case. However, we know that with effort from home and school together, it will be possible for children to catch up. Therefore we ask you to work with us re Bug Club Reading, Mathletics Tasks, Mental Maths Learning recordings and spelling- all posted on Seesaw. This will be your child's homework from now on. (Some teachers who have not used these programmes before may not have all in place until post Halloween.) Please, please work with us to complete it well. We need to ensure that our children catch up.

I have been looking carefully at each class' Seesaw page and I can see the teachers putting a lot of effort into providing feedback on your child's work. The staff feel that this could bring about good improvement in standards and so I ask you please to read or listen to the comments, with your child and work on the recommendation with him/her, a little comment back would also be nice and some parents have been doing this already.

Lovely staff news to conclude with:

Miss Mallon, our P2 teacher, will be finishing school today and will return after the Halloween break. She will be getting married during her period of absence and will return to us as Mrs Keenan. This is a difficult time for anyone planning a wedding and we wish every blessing for Miss Mallon and her Fiancé for their marriage and a wonderful wedding day.

Miss Mc Namee will be the class teacher during this time.

Wishing you a lovely weekend,

Yours in partnership,

Mrs Monaghan