



# GREAT HOLLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## **How you are feeling is normal... What you are doing is great!**

Dear Parents and Carers

I am writing to simply express my continued heartfelt thanks to you and your children for what you are managing to achieve in this current lockdown.

This week is going to be a tough one. In normal times, school teachers typically notice that it becomes harder to teach in the last week before a half-term break. Everyone gets more tired, irritable and desperately in need of a break. If this is happening to you I want you to know you are not alone, many of us are experiencing this.

I really want you to know that what you are doing is GREAT!  
If you didn't manage to complete some work... that's fine! If you skipped something because it is becoming a nightmare to deal with... that's fine! We are offering lots of learning for you to access, if you don't manage to do it all... that's fine!

Remember you are navigating your way through a global pandemic; everybody's circumstances are different but nobody knows your child like you do – you know what's right. Please pace yourselves and make sure you all get a break over half-term.

Many children are really struggling right now, if this is your situation then you are not alone. I know this is tough and I cannot wait to be in a position to reopen to more children but for now this is something I unfortunately cannot offer. We will get through this and we will get back to normal – keep going, you can do it and remember to look after yourselves as parents too. Keep positive, keep safe and keep calm – if it all gets too much for you or the children – do something else... don't forget to have fun, chill or just play!

Even though we are unable to support you face to face, we are still here for you. If you need support, advice or even just a chat – call us, we are here!

We will get through this, you are doing a GREAT job – remember that!

Kind regards

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