## **Dear Parents**

I hope you have all had a good weekend. Today, thankfully, we have no new cases of Covid to report. However, we do seem to be suffering with a second wave of Chicken Pox which is a shame. I wanted to remind you, at this point, that we don't normally provide home learning for children who have chicken pox, because they are off school ill, and so are not expected to do schoolwork. The home learning provision is in place for those children who need to self-isolate or who have Covid but are asymptomatic. As always, however, we are happy to chat things through with you on an individual, case by case, basis.

I have been meaning to get out and about in the playground in the mornings, but that is proving to be a very busy time in school, at the moment. However, I do hope to catch up with you all soon. I can assure you that it won't take much prompting for me to whip out my phone and show you photos of baby Jack, our new Grandson, who is doing very well and has captured our hearts already!

I wanted to thank everyone who took part in our Walk Once a Week (WOW) initiative this morning. We had a huge increase in children walking, scooting or cycling to school. In fact, we have had to order extra badges because of the success and so will give them out as soon as they arrive. In order to achieve February's badge the children will need to walk 'once a week' for four consecutive Mondays. We do realise that this can be an issue for some families and so the day will change from month to month. Also, you might not necessarily want your child's jumper to be covered in badges, so please feel free to encourage your child to display them on their book bag instead.

Now that we are seeing the first small signs of Spring, I hope it will make it even more appealing to walk to school.

With love from Jacky