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Hello everyone.

So, we have made it to the end of week 1 of lockdown #3, but I couldn't let the week go by without saying a few words of thank you!

Firstly, to you the parents and carers. This week has been so different to anything any of us are used to, or were prepared for. You have worked so hard with your families to ensure the children are able to access the remote learning, and you have engaged so well with us as we all try to move forward. You have done so well! There have been, and for a while, will continue to be issues and questions arise, but please keep in touch with us and I know things will get easier.

Secondly, to the children. You are such a resilient bunch! Percy Penguin would be really proud of the hard work and commitment you have shown this week. You didn't give up! Working remotely online is not an easy thing to do, but you have smashed it. Congratulations to all of you that have managed to complete all that you could, of the learning this week.

Finally, to the staff. What an amazing group of people they are. It would be easy not to see the efforts all of your staff have put in this week. From getting this whole project off the ground, to ensuring that the right learning is available for every child in the school, and checking in with everyone to make sure they are ok. I am sure you will join me in thanking them too.

This has been an incredible week. This time last week none of us had any idea school could change so much in such a short period of time. However, because of everybody's efforts and commitment, I think we can celebrate a great success. There will continue to be challenges as we move forward, and the learning will evolve as we go, but together, we will get there.

Please continue to do the best you can. Please don't stress if your child can't complete the work every day, it will be fine. Be kind to yourself and your children, this could go on for a long time and the last thing we want or need is stressed parents and children. Just keep in touch with any issues or problems you are having. We will deal with them as we go.

Have a wonderful and restful weekend, and you know where we are.

Kind regards always

Brian Doherty