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Letter from Telford Infant School Governors

Dear all,

Firstly, we made it..... again, through another lockdown.

A year on faced with a global pandemic and unfamiliar challenges we are coming out the other side, and there is light at the end of the tunnel. Once again we must thank each one of our staff members for the continued support to our children and parents, facing this part of history head on in uncertain times has been challenging, but pat yourself on the back and smile for the strength and courage you have shown has been awesome. We have made it through together with the continued support and understanding of each one of you.

And wow, three weeks already since the children came back to us and what a lovely sound it is to hear again children playing, catching up with friends and settling back down to learning.

Whilst we all appreciate our little ones have to catch up, the most important job we have is to ensure their wellbeing and reassurance is at our priority. Catching up with friends, teachers and expressing how they have dealt with these life changing situations. Again the staff welcomed the children back with open arms, and trust us they had missed them so much and the buzz around school, the first day they opened the doors to the whole school was like a beam of sunshine bursting through the clouds.

Now children are back it has been exciting to hear about the fun topics each year group have been working on.

Reception have been busy learning about all sorts of different animals including the development of tadpoles, and are excited to have some in the classroom so they can watch them grow.

Year one are reading a beautiful story called The Bog Baby and are learning about this strange creature and how to care for him. They have been investigating diets of animals and carefully observing what snails like to eat.

Year two during spring term have been focusing on all creatures great and small, and looking into microhabitats and all tiny creatures that they can find.

We also are reaching out to you for your continued support, whilst we know we have a job to provide each child with catch up, it also must be supported at home. We understand that this is difficult and still not easy as we are still working at home with other siblings, hobbies and a balanced

home life, however it is really important that you continue to support at home with writing, reading and learning.

As a Governing Board we sadly we still cannot come into school but continue our monitoring and supporting roles behind the scenes, we frequently keep in touch with the staff and school life.

This Summer term from April 19th we would like to open a competition for the whole school, a writing competition.

We would like you to write about what makes you smile and laugh – this could be a story, a poem or a list of things, and all entries will be judged by the governors. We will be giving away a National Book Token worth £20 for each year group winner.

The closing date for the competition is Friday 28th May and all entries should be clearly marked TELFORD INFANT GOVERNORS' WRITING COMPETITION and include your child's full name and class. Entries should be dropped off at the table outside the main school entrance. They will be stored in school, quarantined in relation to most recent rulings and passed directly onto governors at the end of May for judging. Winners will be announced in early June.

Lastly, please ensure that you remain safe and support our school community by adhering to the rules set out.

Thank you for taking the time to read through this letter and if there is anything you wish us to feedback on please let our chair Sarah Boad know by contacting the office or emailing boad.s1@welearn365.com

Best wishes

Telford Infant School Governing Board