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Dear Parents/Carers,

Many schools both locally and nationally are experiencing high levels of staff absence due to Covid. As a federation we too are having a similar experience, certainly more than we have done in the past. This presents its challenges in terms of us being able to provide a consistent experience for children in school. Being able to respond to parental queries, but ultimately being able to staff classes of absent teachers.

I attach a letter from Ceri Morgan (Assistant Director for Education, Development and Skills – Herefordshire Council) outlining the Local Authority's position with regards to a partial return to home learning. At present we are not in a situation where we would ask particular classes or year groups to return to home learning, but this is something we may have to consider if our staff absence increases. This would be an absolute last resort and we would try to minimise the impact as best we can. Staffing scenarios can change quite quickly, so please ensure you regularly check for school communications.

Thank you once again for your support through these challenging times and again thank you to all our staff who are working tirelessly to provide the absolute best for the children in the federation.

Best wishes

Simon Robertson,
Executive Headteacher