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Dear Parents/Carers,

As always, I hope this latest weekly update finds you and your family well.

We have made it to the end of another half-term and it is hard to believe that we are already half way through this academic year – time really has flown (well - maybe not for those of you who have had to take on the role of teacher over the last six weeks)! Mrs Van der Walt carried out a pupil survey this week on remote learning, and I just wanted to share some of the comments they made – you should be REALLY PROUD!

How much has your family been able to help you with your learning?

“My mam helps me daily.”

“My mummy helps me if I get confused.”

“Mam helps me and she is good but some are tricky for her too.”

“My mum helps me a lot and is always teaching me and my sister new things.”

Other responses from our children include:

“My mum has been teaching us about around the world and things about different countries like America, Japan, Germany, Mexico and Greece.”

“My mum gets me up and always keeps me happy. She encourages me and helps me because she is on furlough from work.”

Even though we are in an awful situation, with lockdown and this pandemic in general, the time you spend with your children now and the memories you make will live with them forever. Please ensure you break from school work this half-term – you and your children need to rest and relax.

We open again after half-term for vulnerable children and those of critical workers on **Tuesday 23rd February**, and hope to welcome all of our children back on **Monday 8th March** (pending further announcements from the government). Remote learning will again be set for those working from home so please access this via your usual platforms (SeeSaw, Teams, paper packs).

From all the team at Dorchester, thank you for your continued support and we wish you a safe and healthy half-term break!

Yours Sincerely,

Stuart Mills
Headteacher

