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Dear Parent/Carer,

Gosh! I am not really sure how to summarise this half term.... challenging, exhausting, busy.... I'm sure you can think of other 'appropriate' words. ☺

Undoubtedly, the past six weeks have been a roller coaster for us all. Whether you are a critical worker and your child attends school or you are currently at home working or not working and managing remote learning alongside .... 'life' has been, and continues to be, hard. However, as a school community, we have pulled together and supported each other in the most remarkable of ways. We can be confident that we have done our very best for our children: they have continued to learn and remain safe and well.

I know you will all join me in saying thank you to the St Chad's staff team for everything they have done this half term. As I sit here and reflect, I cannot believe that 24 hours after the announcement from the government on the 4<sup>th</sup> January at 8pm we were ready to go with a remote learning offer for our children throughout this period of lockdown. The dedicated staff have risen to the challenge alongside dealing with the personal pressures of this lockdown; thank you to them all.

Our children have been simply wonderful. They have demonstrated enormous resilience and maintained a positive outlook which has been uplifting to us all. The children have worked

hard and engaged, whether learning in school or remotely at home. They are the reason we all do what we do and we thank them all for being them and for making everything so worthwhile.

I feel like the proudest Head teacher in the land... I cannot believe what our children, families and staff have achieved this half term and how resilient we have been. I hope you too share that pride. We are all part of our school family and play a part in 'making a difference' to each other.

Thank you for all that you are doing. As much as possible, I hope that you are able to have a relaxing half term break. As the late Sir Captain Tom Moore so eloquently put: "Tomorrow will be a good day".

Please continue to stay safe and well.

Kind regards,

Ms. K Leach

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