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Dear Parents,

This week has thankfully gone smoothly, considering the new lockdown is in place and additional school guidance has now come out again. We have made a few adjustments to our risk assessment, which is on the school website. Sadly, we have had to stop after school clubs, and we are introducing a greater use of masks for staff in shared areas around school (not class bubbles), so your children may mention this.

If you want to read the guidance, it is all online by following DfE links.

Before and after school provision is still in place, with lots of activities to do. If you find yourself struggling with additional out of school care for your children, please get in touch. We want to support our working parents as much as possible.

This week we have marked Remembrance in school, leading up to Sunday. It was nice to see so many families buying a poppy, or another item that supports the Royal British Legion. Thank you.

Thank goodness that we have had a bit of a break from the rain! It does make school life a bit more of a challenge when we can't get outside. Please remember that we are advised to have windows and doors open as much as possible, so wrap your children up for school!

We had some great news linked to Science this week. Our bid to form a Regional Science Hub in Suffolk was accepted by the Primary Science Teaching Trust. In the coming months we will be the lead school in the development of this cluster, including working not only with our MAT schools, but also Norton and Elmswell Primary. If you would like to know more please follow this link:

<https://pstt.org.uk/what-we-do/cluster-programme>

This will really start to put our school on the map for high quality science provision in our area. The organisation said our bid was very strong, especially the passion for being a rural school and our ability to utilise our local area.

Have a good weekend all.

Best wishes,

Helen Ballam