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Dear Parents/Carers,

February already!

Thank you for all of the feedback following Friday's (almost) screen-free day. We have loved seeing all of your artwork being sent in and are in the process of creating a gallery to share it all with you. Please do send any more in by the end of Tuesday, along with a little piece of writing about your work. We have loved seeing the collaboration between family members and the variety of art that has been created.

Have a look at the fabulous gallery of work [here](#)

Following the success of the day, we would like the last Friday of half term to also be a little bit different. Normally Shrove Tuesday falls on a time we are in school, but this year it falls during half term. Once again, in normal circumstances, we would then have a visit from Fr Peter to lead an Ash Wednesday service. As none of this is possible this year, not only due to Covid but also the date of Easter, we would like the children to still have a go at pancake making and learning about the reasons why Christians do this. Therefore, on the final Friday of this half term, the children in school will be making pancakes, hopefully learning how to make them for you the following week. It would be great if the children at home could also join in with making pancakes and share their creations with us. The children at home and at school will be helped out by Mrs Seymour and Mr Wolf's Pancakes – watch out for the link on Google Classroom.

The government announced last week that schools will not be open for Key Workers or Vulnerable children over half term. If, in the unfortunate event that there is a confirmed case of Covid from someone who has attended school (up to 48hrs after the end of the day on Friday 12th) then the people who need to isolate will be contacted via Parentmail as was the case over Christmas.

Last Thursday saw us offer something a little different for parents and villagers who would like to join in. Mr Mott taught three traditional folk songs for half an hour from 4pm. He was ably assisted by Mr Gatrell and Mrs Braun and all have commented on how well it went. I briefly popped in before heading off to another meeting and it was great to see a couple of people from the village alongside several of the families from Bury. Mr Mott was so enthused by the session that he has asked if he can run this every week in term time whilst we are in lockdown. This week there will be three new songs to learn, and Mr Mott is going for more of a whole family focussed theme. As before, this is an open invite to the villagers of Bury as well as families, so please be aware of this if joining with children. For more information (including



the link) and to get a look at this week's songs in advance of Thursday, please have a look at the school website [here](#)

As mentioned last week, the children's music sessions will remain the following times until at least half term:

Buzzards	1.20pm
Sparrowhawks	1.55pm
Kestrels	2.35pm

Thank you for your continued support and please remember your best is good enough.

Thomas Moore,
Headteacher