Last Lockdown Letter

(I hope!)

5.3.2021

To all the children at Markeaton,

I just wanted to grab one last opportunity to say how incredibly proud I am of all of you. The last year has been really tough for you and although you might not want to admit it just yet, I am sure you have all missed being in school. We have certainly missed you being here ⁽¹⁾

A bit like the last time you all came back, school is not totally back to normal just yet. You will still be in your bubbles, we still need you to wash your hands more than normal and you will still have to just play with people in your year group at breaktime and lunchtime. But you are used to all of this so I am hoping you will get back into the swing of it really quickly. And hopefully we will be getting more sunshine as the days pass by.

In terms of your lessons, this will all feel very much the same as it did before and we still want you to come into school in your PE kit when it is your day – how cool is that! This saves your teachers lots of time and means your PE lessons are much longer because we don't have to find lost socks or put shoes on the right feet, haha!

Getting dropped off and being collected from school is like it was before Christmas. So you will have to line up on the playground in the morning and at the end of the day and wait to be collected. Again, you are quite used to this by now and with all the practice you had we managed to get it done super quick.

And lastly, before I go, if you are feeling nervous or worried about coming back then this is totally normal. You have had a big change in your lives and having these feelings is all part of getting used to something new again. Remember, there are lots of adults in school happy to listen so if you want to talk then find someone you trust and I know they will be able to help you.

That's all from me for now. I can't wait to see you all on Monday.

Have a lovely weekend and get lots of sleep on Sunday night!

Mr I. Johnson