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Dear Parent/Carer,

I think that this might go down as the strangest end of term letter that I have ever written! I just have a couple of things that I want to update you about before I leave you in peace for two weeks.

Firstly, the government has updated their school closure guidance to include a paragraph about internet safety. As more children are on line more often, there are now greater opportunities for adults who aren't well-intentioned to try and befriend youngsters. I know that this goes without saying, but please monitor your child's internet usage – the best place for them to do their work is in a family room where you can keep one eye on what they are doing. If that isn't possible then make sure that you are popping in to their room at frequent intervals. You should also remind your child that they should never talk to people that they do not know and that if they see anything that worries them that they should tell one of their grown-ups immediately. You might find the following links helpful:

- <u>Thinkyouknow</u> (advice from the National Crime Agency to stay safe online)
- <u>Internet matters</u> (support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online)
- Parent info (support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online)
- <u>LGfL</u> (support for parents and carers to keep their children safe online)
- <u>Net-aware</u> (support for parents and carers from the NSPCC)

On the same note the teachers have noticed that some children have not accessed the on-line learning. If this is because you are struggling with the technology then please contact your child's class teacher after the Easter holiday. If you email <u>admin@fishergateschool.com</u> then the message will be passed on to them. Please don't feel embarrassed if you have to do this. If you knew how many times I have had to ask Matt Snowden to help me out over the last couple of weeks .......

So that's it – the end of the strangest half term in history! Have a lovely time with your families looking for silver linings and making memories.

Tina Clarke