Dear Year 5KP,

I am writing this letter as I am thinking about all of you and missing you. I hope everyone and all of your families are safe and well and that you have all been enjoying the time you are having together.

I must admit that my family and I have started to only listen to the news only once a day because it can seem a little bit scary – and the idea that we are not allowed to go and see my sister and her family and my mum means we have spent an awful lot of time using the phone and video calling them; so much so I think I am talking to them more than usual! My niece says that she is becoming fitter enjoying the Joe Wicks Workout everyday - and making her partner join in too! My nephew is working from home and says he is trying out some of his DIY skills. I can't wait to see the final product! My eldest sister seems to be busy everyday washing her hair in-between completing the accounts and finally, my other sister, who lives in Karachi, has taken to cooking more homemade breads!

I have enjoyed the weather this week and in-between replying to emails, texts and letters; I have been completing some work, setting things for you to enjoy when we are all back at school. Ms McMenemy and Mrs. Bhambra have been in their gardens, planting and weeding. They sent me photos of their hard work. I was very impressed with their green fingers. Mr. Prior is learning to speak another language. You can ask some questions about it on your return. Are you practising your French?

This week I have made sure that I have gone out for a walk everyday to get some exercise – but ensuring I am far away from everyone else. This has been hard, as I like socialising. Well, sometimes! I have restarted my yoga, which I was once really good at and have been practising my scales on my favourite guitar. What new hobbies or skills are you learning/practising?

Guess what I enjoyed the most last week? Yes, reading! I read two books last week, one fiction and one non-fiction. (History based of course, my favourite subject.) The non-fiction book was about WW1 and the fiction book is by a well-known Russian writer called Fyodor Dostoevsky.

I can see some of you have signed into Bug Club and have been reading. If you haven't, please sign in **today**, reading is a life skill. You have your passwords and logins, or your family can email the school to ask, if you have forgotten it.

I would like to add, that I want to see more of you login to your Times Table Rock Stars and MyMaths. Remember, it's year 6 next year and I want you all to be highly successful and feel confident as you move into Secondary School. Try to read every day for at least 40 minutes, get your family reading too.

Writing this from school today, whist looking after some of the children and staff who need to be here, it feels It is very strange not seeing you all, but somehow it's *not* that much quieter!

I know everything is different at the moment and perhaps a little bit scary, but I hope you are making some really special memories together with your family. I will write to you all again soon and look forward to seeing you all when school is open again.

Yours sincerely,

Ms. K.Peerwani



My favourite guitar