Hello Grace, Ethan, Sharlyne, Sam, Lily, Bobby, Georgia, Leon, Nabila, Harrison, Rosalie, Archie, Maisie, Harley, Jess, James, Wiktoria, Kobi, Louie and Jack.

I miss saying all your names on the register and seeing all your smiling faces sat on the carpet waiting to hear your name and see who will take the register to the office. I think some of you might have been using your teddies at home to play school and take the register.

Did you all have a lovely VE Day celebration at home? I was in school the day before VE Day, with some of the children, and we made a banner to put on the railings inside our playground. It had the outline of the planes that were flying in the sky during the war. The best part of my celebration at home was the ice-cream van because it hasn't been on my road for 7 weeks and I have missed hearing the tune. Have you missed anything when you have been off school? Maybe some of you have missed school pizza but I don't think anybody would have missed boring jacket potato! (just joking)

I know some of you might be coming back to school after the half-term holidays and I just wanted to say that I don't want you to worry or feel scared about coming back to school. Our classroom might look a little different to how it was before school closed. Maybe not all of your friends will be in school with you but we will have fun and we will carry on learning like you have been at home. If you will be carrying on learning at home, I don't want you to feel worried or scared either because when it is safe enough we will all be able to come back to school and I will be saving up all my hugs for when I see you. We have a really fun topic about the seaside after the holidays and some new activities that you will be able to do at home or in school. I'm sure some of you might have been to Blackpool before. Did you see the tower and the rollercoasters at the Pleasure Beach? My Dad always used to say the first person to see Blackpool Tower won a stick of rock when we used to drive there.

I hope you have a lovely half-term holiday with your grown-ups. Now you can go out a little bit more, maybe you will go somewhere new for your exercise or see some of your family from a safe distance. Mr Bamber and I were supposed to be flying to New York in America in this holiday but we aren't allowed to fly there yet so we are going to save that trip for another time. It will be a holiday we can look forward to, I'm sure you all have things that you are looking forward to doing soon.

Remember to keep listening to your grown-ups, keep trying hard in all that you do, keep smiling and keep shining brightly!

> Lots of love, Mrs Bamber

