



Thursday 11th February 2021

Dear children, parents and carers,

All of the staff at Sydenham are so proud of how amazing you've been throughout this third (seemingly endless) lockdown. You've made it to half-term, and we're all keeping everything crossed that school will fully re-open on 8th March, and we'll be able to welcome all the children back. The waiting game for 'all this' to be over is so tedious and feels like it's going on forever, but we will get through this... so don't give up. It will be sunnier before we know it, and good things will surely come again. What are the things that have kept you going during this lockdown? Charlie Mackesy's wonderful book, 'The Boy, the Mole, the Fox and the Horse' have given countless people hope and peace, and it reflects our 'growth mindset' ethos at Sydenham of 'Never Give Up'!



We have purchased 14 copies of the book, and randomly selected a child from each class to receive one. (I wish we could afford to buy one for every child, but that simply isn't possible at the moment). Good luck, everyone—keep your eyes peeled for a glorious pink, sparkly envelope landing on your doormat over the next couple of days!

Best wishes,

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Executive Head Teacher

