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Hello

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Changes to your return to school after the holidays

Thank you very much for all of your hard work since you came back to school in August. I know how much you have enjoyed being with your friends and learning back in school.

I wanted to write to you as the Christmas term comes to a close as there are going to be slight changes to learning in the new year. We will have to return to remote learning, with most of you learning from home for the week starting Monday 11 January 2021.

I want to let you know that staff in Children's Services are working very hard to get things ready for your return after the Christmas holidays. This will be similar to the learning you did before the Summer holidays. I know how good you were at connecting digitally and engaging with the learning packs sent out by your school then. I hope that you are able to return to this way of thinking again and continue with your learning.

I know you may be disappointed in not being able to go back to school and see your friends and teachers again but the changes are important to help keep everybody safe.

I hope you have a lovely Christmas and if any of you would like to ask me anything or have any ideas I would love to hear from you, you can email me on <u>helen.budge@shetland.gov.uk</u>

Yours sincerely

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