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SCHOOL TRANSITIONS: WHOSE TRANSITIONS ARE THEY ANYWAY?

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I AM WORRIED HOW SOME OF OUR STUDENTS ARE GOING TO COPE WITHOUT MEETING THEIR FRIENDS AND US EVERYDAY.

WHAT ELSE CAN WE DO TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY FEEL HAPPY AND SAFE?

THIS TRANSITION TO HOME SCHOOLING MUST BE DIFFICULT FOR THEM AND THEIR PARENTS.

IT IS A TRANSITION FOR ALL OF US. YOU NEED TO CONSIDER YOUR WELLBEING TOO.

YOU CAN'T SUPPORT THEM, OR THEIR PARENTS, IF YOU ARE STRESSED.

HOW CAN I SUPPORT YOU?

MUM I DON'T KNOW WHAT I WOULD DO WITHOUT BEING ABLE TO TALK WITH YOU TWO! I ALSO FACETIME ALL MY FRIENDS

YEAH, I VISITED NANA THE OTHER DAY...

IT'S SAD THAT WE CANNOT PROPERLY VISIT NANA WHILST SHE IS SHIELDING.

I SHOWED HER HOW TO MAKE WHATSAPP VIDEO CALLS WHEN I DROPPED OFF HER GROCERIES. WE SHOULD ALL TRY TO VIDEO CALL NANA EVERYDAY SO SHE DOESN'T FEEL LONELY.

HELLO PEANUT!
IT'S NICE BEING ABLE TO SEE YOU DURING THE DAY. SOME POSITIVES TO WORKING FROM HOME, HUH?

IT'S BEEN HARD WORK BUT MOST OF THE STUDENTS HAVE ADAPTED WELL TO ONLINE LESSONS. THERE IS A GOOD ROUTINE TO MY DAY.

I AM EVEN FINDING TIME TO WORK ON MY DOCTORAL THESIS AS I DON'T HAVE TO COMMUTE. I SET GOALS EACH DAY AND I AM FEELING PRODUCTIVE. I HAVE LEARNT THAT EVEN IF I AM NOT, THAT'S OKAY.

I AM A BIT NERVOUS ABOUT RETURNING TO SCHOOL, BUT ALSO REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING MY FRIENDS AND TEACHERS AGAIN!

IT'S NATURAL TO BE BOTH NERVOUS AND EXCITED. LET'S DISCUSS SOME STRATEGIES FOR YOUR TRANSITION BACK TO SCHOOL.