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Dear Parent/Carer,

You will have seen in the media that Turkey and Syria are facing a difficult time ahead in the wake of tragic earthquakes that have affected both countries earlier in the week.

Natural disasters are something that children find out about as they learn more about the world, which can trigger curiosity, questions, and, in some children, anxiety that it could happen to them. I have attached an article that you might find helpful to read on how you can support your child to understand natural disasters.

Lindsay will carry out a small circle time with the children to talk about what has happened. She can reassure them and steer conversations to the support that is being offered to both countries now in terms of providing families with new homes, medical care, food and clothes.

Please be mindful about the media content your child is exposed to, as some images and content could be distressing for them to see and hear.

Over the coming days, a collection box will be open at school for families to donate money if they would like to, this will be transferred to the charity 'Islamic Relief' on Friday before the half term so that it can be used to help families with immediate effect.

Kind regards,

Sarah Jane