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Dear Parents / Carers

Thank you to everyone who has supported their children to engage with the home schooling at the start of this new term. During this period of national lockdown, we are aiming to support the children's home learning in a number of ways.

Teachers will continue to upload learning activities onto the ITsLearning platform. This may also include some pre-recorded lessons which have the benefit of being accessible at any time by the children. Children can use this platform to communicate with their teachers. Teachers will use it to respond to any queries and to give feedback to the children about selected pieces of work.

Our staff teams have been put on a rota. This will ensure that teachers and LSAs are available to support children at home as well as at school.

The staff at home will make phone calls to keep contact with all the children. They will seek to address any queries and try to encourage, motivate and support the children's engagement with home learning.

Staff are also planning on delivering some live sessions. These will be a mixture of social activities as well as live lessons. We will aim on a weekly basis, for you to receive details of the forthcoming live lessons that are scheduled. These sessions will be provided via 'Teams.' Details of how to download the app are provided in the other attached document.

Once you have downloaded the app, your children will be part of 2 'teams' – their class team and their year group team. During home learning, mostly your child will select the year group team. Your child will be required to enter the password that will be issued by the school. This will provide live sessions, led by school staff, for all the children from the year group who are not in school.

The individual username and password will be emailed out to parents separately but please bear with us as this is a very time consuming job.

We will record the live sessions and they will remain available for children to watch in Teams as a catch up if they are not able to access the live session in real time.

This is new for all of us, so please be patient whilst we get up to speed with managing live lessons online. We very much want to work with you as parents to support the successful schooling of your child / children.

During this time, we will be planning, teaching and giving appropriate feedback to your children to help them move on with their learning. We also want to keep the children connected with their class and school community.

Please contact us if you have any queries.

Yours Faithfully

Mrs Boston, Mrs Oakland, Mrs Campbell

