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13th January 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

Good afternoon, I hope you are all well and staying safe.

I just wanted to say thank you to all our parents for your support and understanding over the last few days of remote learning. We have had a few technical difficulties and have tried to resolve and support families where we can. But on the whole, we are seeing really good engagement with home learning and are very grateful to all our parents and our wonderful children for this. Attendance at our Google Meet sessions has been really good. If you are struggling, in anyway, to access these sessions, please contact the school office and we will get back to you as soon as we can.

I can't thank staff enough for their endeavours to adapt so quickly to new ways of working and know that they are working so hard to ensure that the children joining in at home feel included and part of the learning process whilst also juggling the children in school. It is still early days and we will be adapting, changing and improving things but on the whole we feel that the children at home are being supported much more in their learning.

We have made adjustments and improvements to Google Classroom already this week. We are trying to keep the stream just for important messages and the work will be located in the Classwork tab. Staff are preparing daily folders so it should be easy to locate the work for the day. We really hope that this will help parents. I will be sending out a short questionnaire on Friday just to get some feedback from parents about how remote learning is working for you. We know that we are not going to be able to please everyone at the moment, but we want to listen to feedback to celebrate what is working well and what alterations we may need to consider.

Paper copies of maths worksheets (Y1-6) will be available to be collected from the school office from Friday morning (15th January 2021) at 10:00am. Many parents have said that this has been useful so we will be providing this every week.

F2 parents- we know that there have been national problems with Tapestry this week. They are working hard to resolve this and it is purely due to the large number of people that have been trying to access their site. Mrs Such is going to prepare a paper pack of learning materials for next week for F2 parents. This will be available to be collected from 10:00am on Monday morning. If you wish for a pack to be printed for your child in F2, as it would make things easier, please email the school office and we will arrange this.

Mrs Such has run a story time session this week and will be running another one today at 2:45pm. Next week, we are hoping to offer some Google Meet phonics sessions for the F2 children as well. Further details will be sent out to parents.

We know that what is being asked of parents at the moment is unbelievably hard, but we are so grateful to you for your support and hope that you can see improvements in our remote learning offer and how passionate the staff are about supporting all our children at this unprecedented time.

I have no doubt, that with the support of the whole school community, we will get through this incredibly difficult time together.

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Take care and please stay safe.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. McAleny', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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