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Remote Learning

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are in week four already of spring term 1. As ever our children continue to work really hard and are exploring some of the TEAMS functions. We have just a few things that we would like to share with you. Please can we ask for your support in talking to your children about the following functions in TEAMS.

Cameras

Our internet is now fixed and so when in TEAMS children should have their cameras on.

Backgrounds

Children are not to change their backgrounds. As I am sure you can imagine – this is very distracting to other children at home and in school. Equally and importantly teachers are unable to see the boards when children are writing on their white boards.

Chat

The chat functions up to year 3 is for parents use only, should a member of staff need to be contacted. If this continues to be an issue in some classes, the function will be removed from the TEAM.

Code of conduct

I would like to remind you that our code of conduct states that;

- Parents should wear suitable clothing – not pyjamas, as should everyone else in the household.

Assignments

Thank you to all of the parents who return their children's work in as quickly as you are able. It really helps our staff to keep on top of it all. We understand that many parents are working from home. However, in order to enable staff to keep on top of their marking work load, any assignments submitted after Friday will not get feedback, enabling teachers to close the week's assignments ready to start again on Monday.

Homework.

As requested, class teachers will set homework. It will be set on TEAMS as an assignment. This will follow our usual homework expectations in that it will be set on a Friday and needs to be submitted on Wednesday by 3pm. Homework set will involve challenges and reinforcement work based on the teacher's assessment of the week's learning. Any work submitted after the deadline will not get feedback.

Break and lunchtimes.

Please try to make sure that your child gets a break from the screen during this time. The children in school go outside, whatever the weather to get some fresh air and physical exercise.

Thank you as ever for working with us to make remote learning as successful for our children as we can.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C Howells', with a horizontal line underneath.

Mrs C Howells
Acting Headteacher