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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back after such a glorious weekend of sunshine. I hope you all managed to get out this weekend and enjoy the beautiful weather while it was here. Hopefully, it has helped lift your spirits a little during these most challenging times.

### **Parent Survey**

Firstly, I would like to thank all those who have been able to complete the online survey that was sent out last week. If you haven't managed to, could you do so by Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2020 so that I can look at your views in regard to home learning and how it is going. We are looking to incorporate some of your suggestions into our provision moving forwards.

### **Home Learning**

We are aware that Home Learning will look different for every family and we have enjoyed seeing some of the amazing work that has been done. Whilst it can be very difficult to juggle the home learning with other pressures such as working remotely, siblings or just keeping on top of everything, we do feel it is important that all families engage with some home learning whilst school is not open.

Please do not worry if you are unable to get through all the activities that we are sending out, or if your approach to the work is slightly different than what is suggested.

Our job, as teachers at this time, is to support you remotely as best we can and then, when all children return to school, to adapt our provision once again in response to the different experiences and journeys the children have been on during their absence.

If you are having trouble doing/ accessing the home learning please contact the school so that a member of the leadership team can speak to you and offer support and advice.

### **Additional/Alternative Resources and Links**

If you would like some alternative resources (not personalised to our school and year group but still very much linked to age appropriate national curriculum content), you might like to check out the following.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/articles/znbnschw>

<https://whiterosemaths.com/homelearning>

<https://www.thenational.academy/online-classroom/schedule>

### **Zoom**

You will find your meeting ID and password in the email sent to you by Mrs Edmonds.

We will never email your child asking them to join a call without you knowing, and we will never ask to 'video meet' with you or your child outside our school hours which are Monday to Friday 9am to 3.15pm

When we make the video call please make sure the computer is in a suitable place, not in a bedroom or bathroom for example and the background is clear, showing just the wall perhaps.

For your child's safety we will not record the meetings.

You may have read a lot about problems with video calling software. Zoom has improved its security settings recently. Our teachers account has settings that will limit problems with the following issues that you may have heard about:

- Zoom-bombing
- Risk of phishing
- Privacy concerns
- Recordings
- Private zoom meetings
- Inappropriate content
- Data Protection
- Poor privacy controls and security

To protect you and your child further, please:

- Do not create or use an existing Zoom account for them, this will make sure that your child cannot change any of our settings.
- Make sure the joining email is from our school email address, this will prevent any impact from phishing emails where people try to get you to click on a fraudulent email.
- We will always make sure that there are two adults on the video call, and we would like parents to be alongside when our call takes place.
- There should be no inappropriate content on any of our video calls. Please contact the school if you are concerned about any of the content of the video call.

If you would like any further information, please getting in touch by emailing [info@moss-lane.surrey.schuk](mailto:info@moss-lane.surrey.schuk)

Please following protocols in order to ensure these run as smoothly as possible.

- Confidentiality - Calls are not to be recorded by parents, neither are screen shots of a session permitted by anyone
- Teachers are the session 'hosts'. Meetings are 'host only' with the teacher in control of the settings
- Invites will be emailed out to each class. These will include a password.
- Teachers will make sure that, wherever possible, other members of their family are not visible during a Zoom session and we ask that parents keep themselves and siblings out of screen shot wherever possible too.
- Teachers will mute all children's microphones unless inviting a response in which case they will 'unmute' children individually. Children will not be able to 'unmute' themselves
- Wherever possible it would help the teachers considerably if your child's name was displayed with their video feed (rather than a parent's)
- Please read the Zoom policy attached

We are very new to this and all staff admit to being somewhat nervous about presenting in this way. I know that you will all be patient with us as we get used to the technology. No Oscar winning performances just, yet I don't think....

### **Technology**

If any families have a computer or iPad that they no longer use and would be willing to donate to the school who uses them to support families in need. Please contact Mrs Edmonds by emailing school [info@moss-lane.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:info@moss-lane.surrey.sch.uk)

### **Community Store**

Godalming Town Council, along with some local community groups have set up a Community Store at the Wilfrid Noyce Centre. It is available to anyone in need of help and they can supply food (including some fresh), toiletries and cleaning products. You do not need to have a referral; you just have to phone the council on 01483 523575 to book an appointment. Access to the store is by appointment only so that they can ensure social distancing and safety. Please see web links below for further information about the store. The Facebook page has some images of the store so that people can see what to expect when they arrive.

<https://godalming-tc.gov.uk/community-store/>  
<https://www.facebook.com/Godalmingtc/>

The people who run the store are friendly and keen to help.

Stay safe. Best wishes,



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