



ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you are all safe and well. We are missing you all here and cannot wait till we return to normal! You are doing a brilliant job with home schooling - I'm sure some of you are considering a career change!

We have updated our remote learning plan based on feedback from our staff, parents and children. We believe that this strategy will work best for the children and families in our school and the plan will be reviewed regularly.

Timetables

Every Monday your child's class teacher will send you a timetable via School Ping. This will also be uploaded to your child's year group page on Teams. The timetable is purely a guide for you and your child to work through and should give some structure to your day. However, do not worry if you are unable to follow this exactly as we know that many families are sharing devices between siblings and parents.

Live Lessons

From Monday, each class will receive one, live learning lesson per day. This will be through zoom and the link will be sent to you by your child's teacher. The link will also be available on the class page on Teams. If your child is unable to attend the live lesson it will be recorded and placed on to your child's class page on Teams for them to access at a later time.

The live lessons will replace the daily catch up meetings.

In preparation for the Live Lesson, please ensure the following:

- Your child is dressed appropriately
- Your child is in a quiet space
- Your child has everything they need for the lesson: paper, pencil, white rose book, text book, whiteboard and pen etc.
- Your child is in the Zoom waiting room 5 minutes before the lesson start time so they are ready to join.
- All mobile phones, toys and gadgets are away
- Your child's name is displayed correctly on the Zoom screen
- Your child's background is set and not changed during the lesson
- Your child keeps their device on mute unless they are asked to unmute

The lesson will be recorded so that children who are unable to take part in it can access it shortly after on the Class Teams Page.

IF YOU DON'T WANT YOUR CHILD TO BE RECORDED, PLEASE ENSURE YOUR VIDEO IS OFF FOR THE DURATION OF THE LESSON.

FOR SAFEGUARDING AND PRIVACY REASONS, PLEASE DO NOT FILM YOUR CHILD OR THE CLASS TEACHER DURING THE LIVE ZOOM. MANY THANKS.

Timings for the live lesson are as follows:

Year Group	Lesson Time
R	9:00am
1	9:45am
2	10:45am
3	10:15am
4	11:15am
5	9:15am
6	8:45am

Microsoft Teams

The children will also receive three other lessons and these will be found on their Microsoft Teams year group pages. The children should upload their completed work to Microsoft Teams, or if they are in reception, to the Evidence Me app. This could be a completed worksheet or a photograph of any work that they may have done in their books. Please ensure that the children press the hand in /turn in button when they have finished so the teacher receives the work.

If you feel you need any support with using Microsoft Teams we will be holding a Microsoft Teams information session. This will be via Zoom on Tuesday 19th January at 2:00pm. Please do come along with any questions you may have.

Topic: Microsoft Teams for Parents

Time: Jan 19, 2021 02:00 PM London

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/92383375966?pwd=cE1GRXFabHNwMXFBWjkOUUI3TWtFUT09>

Meeting ID: 923 8337 5966

Passcode: L9zcV2

Bug Club and Times Table Rockstars

The links to Bug Club and Times Table Rockstars have been added to the top of your child's Microsoft Teams year group page. We would like the children to read two or three books a week.

For the children in years 2-6 we would also like them to access Times Tables Rockstars for 15 minutes per day. I am looking forward to the competition and the leader board will be featuring in my assemblies again soon.

Contacting Staff

If you need to contact your child's teacher you can message them through the chat feature on Microsoft Teams, or contact the school office. Please do not hesitate to get in touch with any queries you may have.

Thank you again for your continued support, understanding and kind messages - we really appreciate it!

God bless,
Mr. Briggs