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Dear Parents/Carers

Many thanks for your patience and support during week one of the Spring Term. We can see how hard the children are working on 'It's Learning' and are so proud of them! Thank you for your help.

Live Contact **zoom**

We will be introducing an element of 'live' weekly contact with the class teacher via **Zoom**. This will be an optional opportunity for children to take part in a class catch up and could take the form of a discussion, story or a quiz. We know that having a 'live' connection with the class teacher and school is important to each child and their wellbeing. As you'll be aware, any 'live' interaction carries with it safeguarding risks as we are unable to control the environment each child is in. In order to run these sessions please see the guidance attached that needs to be followed by staff, parents and pupils. Please keep an eye on 'It's Learning' for further details for each class.

Exercise Books

If your child needs an exercise book to work in, we have left some in the drop box, outside the main gate. If you require one to be posted, please call or email the office.



Free data SIMs to be used in mobile phones and laptops

Vodafone have donated 50 data SIMs to schools across the country. These SIMs will provide you with 30GB for 90 days and can be **used with any network**. We will put some of these in the drop box outside the main gate. If you require one to be posted, please contact us. <https://newscentre.vodafone.co.uk/press-release/free-sim-cards-for-250000-school-children-online-learning/>

Mobile Data

The Government has brought in new guidance that states that schools can apply for parents to get extra broadband support.

Who can get help:

This scheme is open to children and young people who:

- Don't have access to a fixed broadband connection
- Cannot afford the additional data needed to access educational resources or social care services
- Have access to a mobile device that uses a participating network
- Are facing disruption to their face-to-face education, or have been advised not to attend school

Companies

- Three
- Smarty
- Virgin Mobile
- EE
- Tesco Mobile
- Sky Mobile
- O2

If you feel you are eligible please complete the following form. Click on the link.

[Mobile information form](#)

Devices

If you are having difficulty accessing a device for your child to use and you are in receipt of the pupil premium, please do contact the office. We may be able to help.

Please also see instructions on '**It's Learning**' on how to use an '**Xbox**' or '**PlayStation**' to access our learning platform. We may be able to lend out keyboards and a mouse if you require them to be connected to the console, or they can be purchased on Amazon.



Internet

If you cannot access the internet at all, please let us know and we will organise paper based tasks that can be picked up from the office or posted home.

Contact

We will endeavour to keep you informed of every step we take, when we are able to, in line with the Government guidelines via text, emails and Facebook.

Thank you for your ongoing support for the School and wider community. Please do keep safe and look after one another.

Warm Regards

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