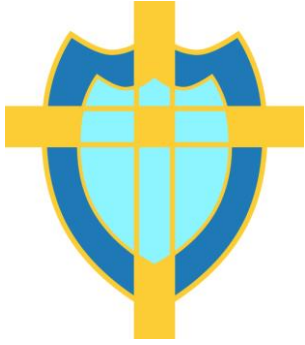


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Dear Parents & Carers,

I hope you've all managed to find some level of enjoyment and normality over the Easter break, despite what's happening in the world at the moment. I felt incredibly lucky being able to go out for my daily exercise in the countryside and made the most of the glorious weather in the garden!

As we enter the Summer term, I wanted to touch base and keep you informed as to what the children will be focusing on over the next few weeks. Our new topic is Energy and is one which I think the children will find fun and engaging. On our class page on the school website you will be able to find a complete topic overview, a new remote learning grid linked to the Energy topic as well as additional resources. Please keep checking the class page regularly for updated resources and materials.

We will be continuing the daily use of Seesaw as a means of communication. I will be posting a video each morning explaining the work which is being set for the children and will upload all relevant resources onto this. I understand that parents/ carers working from home might find it difficult to balance these pressures coupled with home learning so I have tried to make the tasks as autonomous as possible for the children.

As a school, we have decided to trial the use of Zoom as another way of being able to communicate with the children. Zoom is a communication tool which allows video conferencing between multiple people. I will be hosting daily video calls with groups of children from our class between 10:00 and 10:30 daily. This will not be linked to learning but just a chance to catch up! You can set up a zoom account online at <https://zoom.us/> or alternatively on the zoom app which is accessible on smartphones and tablets. I will be posting the initials of the children who are invited for the group call before 9:00 on Seesaw. I will then email the relevant parents the meeting code and link which they can follow to gain access to the group call. This is of course optional and I understand it will not be practical for all. If you require any further information about zoom there are some excellent tutorials on YouTube.

On a personal note, I've been hugely impressed with the effort and attitude the children have displayed in their remote learning. This wouldn't have been possible without your continued support and encouragement, so a big thank you from me! I'm very much looking forward to getting back to school and seeing everyone again but in the meantime if you need to get in touch or have any questions/concerns, then please don't hesitate to drop me an email.

Best wishes and look after yourselves,

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