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Dear Parents/ Carers

Microsoft Teams from this week

As you know, Teams has been a key tool for us to manage remote learning during lockdown. We will be continuing to use it in a slightly different way now that we are back at school.

Firstly, while school is fully open, the chat function has been turned off for pupils, as teachers are unable to monitor this closely now that they have returned to full-time face to face teaching. In the event of your child's bubble collapsing, this function will be reinstated so that we can continue with our remote learning offer while your child's class is unable to attend school.

Secondly, teachers in Y1 to Y6* will continue to use Teams- specifically Assignments, Quizzes etc- to set all homework going forward. You/ your child will need to log on regularly to check what homework has been set. As a reminder, homework is set for each class as follows:

Class	Day homework is set	Day homework to be completed by
Year 1	Friday	Following Friday
Year 2	Friday	Following Friday
Year 3	Friday	Following Wednesday
Year 4	Friday	Following Wednesday
Year 5	Friday	Following Friday
Year 6	Monday Wednesday	Following Friday Following Wednesday

**Any home learning tasks set in the Early Years Foundation Stage will be done through Tapestry.*

If you need to communicate with your child's class teacher for any reason, you can speak to them on the gate for short queries/ messages, or call school to arrange a telephone conversation. Email should be used sparingly and only for essential/ important communications. Teachers are not expected to respond out of office hours and I would ask all parents to think carefully before emailing any teacher directly after 18:00.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Helen Carpenter
Head teacher