

Live Sessions on Zoom



It has been lovely to see children engaging with our 'live sessions'; both the children and staff have enjoyed the opportunities to see each other and bring the class together.

We hope even more children will join us for a live session each week! It's an opportunity to build on children's relationship with their teacher and their peers, ready for when they return to school.

Please take note of the helpful tips below, to ensure these sessions run as smoothly as possible.

Tips for Live Sessions!

- Follow all Zoom security measures put in place by staff setting up the meeting:
 - Ensure the screen name is your child's name or family surname, not the name of the device (during the call, this can be done by clicking on the 'more' button and then 'rename' button; before the call, it can be changed on your 'profile');
 - You will need to wait in the 'waiting room' to be let onto the call;
 - You will be 'muted' before entry to the call;
 - You should have a neutral background such as a plain wall or a Zoom background screen;
 - You must not record the call on any device;
 - Only staff will be able to share their screen.
- Help your child to log onto the session and be available at all times during the call – younger children may need help during the session, but with KS2 children, please just be nearby to help them if they need it; you don't need to actually sit with them or appear on the screen;
- Remind your child to follow the school rules of 'ready, respectful, safe' – they need to listen carefully and follow all expectations of the teacher, such as only 'chatting' when requested and only 'unmuting' when asked to;

- Remind your child they must not share any information other than what the teacher asks for;
- Support your child to be in a quiet area where they won't be interrupted, especially by their brothers or sisters!;
- Make sure no calls are recorded or shared with others;
- Help your child to watch in 'gallery view' so that they can see the others joining in;
- Make sure your child is dressed appropriately – no pyjamas please!;
- Learn together about keeping safe on the internet – some useful websites are:
 - www.thinkuknow.co.uk
 - www.childnet.com
 - www.internetmatters.org
 - parentsprotect.co.uk.
- Please remember that these live sessions are for communication between the children and their teacher; it's not an alternative method for parents to contact staff.

We hope children will enjoy these opportunities to 'meet' with their classmates. Unfortunately, we won't be able to offer this to any child or family that consistently fail to follow these guidelines. We are sure you understand that teachers may remove your child from a session if they behave in an inappropriate way.

If you do not want your child to take part in Zoom calls, either from home or within school, please let us know.

*Please talk to us have if you have any concerns;
we will help as best we can*

