



Somerford Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers

Yesterday, Gavin Williamson, Secretary of State for Education, made an announcement that the government's plan to welcome back children in Years 2, 3, 4 and 5 has changed. Only schools with capacity to bring these children back are now being asked to.

With class sizes remaining capped at 15 and the protective measures for schools remaining the same, unfortunately, at Somerford, we do not have any additional capacity to welcome back any other year groups before the summer holidays.

I understand that to many of you and your children this is very disappointing – it is for us too. We truly miss all of our school family who remain at home however, the safety of children, staff and parents must be our primary concern.

We would like to offer your child an opportunity to feel more connected to their class and teacher via a Zoom meeting next week. This will not be a lesson but an opportunity to see each other, ask questions and have some fun. If successful we may hold more sessions for the class to meet up.

I have attached some online safety rules – please make sure you read them with your child and adhere to them during the meeting.

The log on details for the Zoom meeting will be sent closer to the time.

2SB - Tues 16th 11.00-11.30 2MS - Tues 16th 1.30-2.00
3CC - Wed 17th 11.00-11.30 3RD - Wed 17th 1.30-2.00
45EW - Thurs 18th 10.00-10.30 45JH - Thurs 18th 11.00-11.30 45KG - Thurs 18th 1.30-2.00

We will, of course, continue to provide learning for those children at home, you will receive contact from school via email or phone calls and we will be continuing to offer food hampers for children in receipt of benefit related free school meals. You can of course contact us for additional support at any time via the office email or your class email address. You can also call on the telephone in school hours.

Again, I am sorry we are not able to welcome more children back to school at this time. Please stay safe until we can pop all of our bubbles and see each other again!

Yours sincerely

Helen Frampton
Headteacher

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CODE OF CONDUCT FOR ONLINE VIDEO CALLS

All children are expected to follow this guidance for all virtual sessions or meetings:

- **A parent or carer must be present for the duration of the call** (although they do not need to be visible on the screen)
- **Be on time** – this is to make sure the meeting goes smoothly and is not interrupted throughout
- **Be dressed appropriately** – please be clothed at all times – dressing gowns and PJ's are not suitable!
- **Consider your location** – make sure there is not any inappropriate or identifiable information in the background of your screen – consider a neutral background or blurring your screen
- **Be present** – please refrain from looking at your mobile phone during a session, listening to music or watching TV in the background – be fully focused on the session taking place
- **Be respectful** – treat all children and staff attending the virtual meeting with courtesy and politeness

Remember

- Sessions will be recorded
- Do not share usernames, passwords, Zoom IDs or any personal information with any individuals who are not part of Somerford Primary School
- Do not use swear words or language that may cause offence
- Do not post or upload anything that might upset someone or post anything that may be offensive or abusive