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Dear Parents

As a school, safeguarding is still a priority even when the majority of children are learning from home. You can find our Safeguarding Policy on the school website, but please see attached our Safeguarding Appendix. The Safeguarding Appendix has the names of our Designated Safeguarding Leads and you can contact us at any time if you are worried about your child or another child. You can also contact Customer First on the link [here](#) to make a referral about an adult or child.

Online Safety is something we discuss regularly with the children and due to the nature of remote learning, we are fully aware that they are online frequently. Please see attached a poster about Online Safety, which you may find useful.

Engagement via Google Classrooms is really positive and the children are regularly submitting work and commenting on the class stream etc. If your child is ill, please let us know and we won't expect any work from them during this period or if you are having trouble accessing the work, please let us know. We are in the process of making phone calls home for a 'check in' and we are still receiving some lovely positive feedback on the work provided by the teachers, however, if you have any concerns or questions please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher in the first instance.

We are fully aware that children (and adults) may be finding this second period of lockdown tricky for a variety of reasons. Next week (week beginning 1st February) is Children's Mental Health Week and our assemblies for that week will be focussing on mental health and wellbeing. We will also be providing a range of materials and resources the children and yourselves can access. However, in the meantime, you may wish to have a look at this [link](#) which gives advice for parents at this difficult time. Again, if you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher in the first instance.

From this week and following guidance from the Dfe, our school staff will be conducting twice weekly Lateral Flow Device tests. These tests will give a result within 30 minutes and will indicate whether individuals are testing positive for COVID-19, even with no symptoms. If a member of staff tests positive, it will be necessary for that individual to self-isolate and also for the children in the bubble the adult is attached to, to self-isolate. We will of course, advise you as soon as reasonably possible, should this need arise.

We are continually uploading resources and activities to Google Classroom and I know there is a lot of communication with the children (and yourselves) and their class teachers, however, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind Regards

Mrs Bilner
Headteacher