

detailed letter about the guidance and safeguarding arrangements for Zoom calls. Those are included at the end of this letter. Please read through these before you give your consent on the survey.

Links to give permission to take part in Zoom calls. You only have to give your permission once for all Zoom calls for each of you children. **YOU WILL NOT BE SENT THE LINK UNLESS YOU HAVE GIVEN CONSENT:**

Reception: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XNZ5JMK>
Year 1: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XF6NYFX>
Year 2: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HDW67KW>
Year 3 <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XGMZVY6>
Year 4 <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HYCNJQC>
Year 5 <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XBBSCDQ>
Year 6 <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XX877XX>

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Checking Parentapp

Virtually all our families are on Parentapp. This is our main form of communication. During lockdown, an update letter is posted here every Friday for the whole school. Letters on more specific class/year group issues will also be posted here when needed on other days of the week. It is worth checking this regularly in the week so as not to miss anything, even if your notifications for the app are switched on. At the moment, year groups are making use of Seesaw to post information that is specific to daily or weekly learning, but requests for permissions or longer letters will still be sent through Parentapp as not all our children are accessing Seesaw.

PSHE

In the weeks before Christmas, we invited parents to take part in a consultation about PSHE. We had a small number of comments, which were mainly positive. Since then we have been reviewing our planned approach and associated policy still further. The rest of our curriculum is highly personalised to our school and our children and we want PSHE to match that approach. Although this has involved us in additional work and planning, we feel that it will be well worth the extra effort in terms of its impact for the children. More on this shortly.

Half-term

In contrast to the lockdown last year, schools are following normal term and holiday patterns at the moment. If you need childcare over half-term, Moorside Kids' Club are offering childcare at their Dallas Road site.

Foodbank Friday

Prior to the current lockdown, we were collecting food donations on the first Friday of the month. Our next collection day is Friday 5th February. You can either donate directly to one of the food banks or can bring a donation here between 9.30am and 10.15am and leave it in the entrance to the Lower Hall. A member of staff will be around to supervise. Please wear a face mask when on school premises. Donations are needed even more than before.

Yours sincerely

Roger Shone
Head Teacher

Safeguarding and Practical Arrangements

Zoom Sessions

In school, we spend a good deal of time teaching children about safety online. Children and adults in every aspect of their life have to ensure that their interactions online are safe ones, so we have given careful consideration to how to manage the sessions and to ensure they are safe for everyone involved.

Your invitation for the session will come via ParentApp. If a member of staff is working from home, they will host the session from there, with another member of staff supervising the in-school part of the call with the children.

Preparing for the session (children and parents)

- Please choose a neutral room for the sessions (e.g., kitchen, living room but not a bedroom) and that there is a reliable internet connection and that you can access Zoom
- Please wear daytime clothing, not pyjamas
- Please have a neutral background with only a small part of the room showing
- Please make sure that a parent is available throughout the session
- Please make sure that there are no other tabs open

Starting the session and during the session

- A parent must be present with your child to start the session and remain in the room to solve any practical problems. It is fine for them to get on with their own work if they want to.
- Although it is an unusual situation, your child needs to understand that their behavior and attitude should match that expected in school so that all the children taking part can get the most from the session
- The teacher may ask your child to keep their computer on mute until they are asked to speak to help with turn-taking

Ending the session

- The parent supervising the child should return to the screen to end the session and to hear any feedback or further instructions from the teacher