## "Growing and Learning Together with God."

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## Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another fabulous week of learning and, as a staff, we have been impressed with the submitted work and the engagement in our live sessions. This week we have successfully started 1:1 provision with identified children and our Teaching Assistants have really enjoyed further supporting our pupils at home.

Starting next week our home school link worker, Liz Newby, will be working virtually with children she would normally work with in school. This is fantastic support for those children and she also has some capacity to help additional families. If you think that this is something which would be of benefit to you and your family then please contact the office. You will be able to make an appointment with me in which we can discuss your needs in confidence.

It was great for me to see so many people in our online worship on Monday as we started our series on 'Little People, Big Dreams' with the story of Josephine Baker. I look forward to seeing you all again next week.

In addition, Reverend Helen Barnes will be narrating a weekly bible story for the children; you will be able to find these on the school website under the 'News' items on the homepage.

Our live sessions are running smoothly and hopefully you are now in the rhythm of the timetable and when these sessions are available. We do record our sessions for safeguarding purposes and for children to view at a later time in the day if they are unable to make the scheduled time. To ensure we maximise this flexible platform I have sent out our amended **Acceptable Use Policy for Live Lessons**. Please ensure that you read it carefully with your child and <u>complete the online form by 3.00pm on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> January</u> to ensure we are fully compliant with GDPR processes. A separate email will be sent with the policy and the link.

You may be aware from the media coverage that Primary School Staff will now be undergoing regular lateral flow tests administered at home twice a week. This is part of the national directive to prevent the spread of the virus. If a staff member returns a positive result they will need to self-isolate for 10 days and book a PCR test to confirm the result. This means that the bubble they work in will also need to self-isolate for 10 days and we would inform you of this as soon as possible.

I was really pleased with the positive feedback from Governors at the curriculum meeting last evening. Our staff are working extremely hard and the enthusiasm from our Governors is a real lift for our team.

As always, if you have any queries or questions please contact the school office. I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Jonathan Hart Headteacher







