



Together Everyone Achieves More



Dear Parents and Carers

Happy 2021! Unfortunately, this was not the start to the new year we had intended or hoped for, but we are all keeping everything crossed that we are able to welcome all our children back soon.

We would like to thank you all so much for your support with home learning. It has been lovely walking around and seeing the children in school and at home interacting, working hard and making the most of the situation. Please remember that if for any reasons there are technical issues (your end or ours!) which make it difficult for children to get online then please don't panic. We are sharing lots of information via Google Classroom, and are adding to our Home Learning section on our website <https://www.curwen.newham.sch.uk/page/?title=Home+Learning&pid=317> We also have home learning packs which can be collected from school if children are finding it hard to submit work on Google Classroom.

You will have seen that whilst children are doing lots of learning online that we have changed our homework format during lockdown. We thought it would be nice to make this a weekly topic for discussion for families to talk about at home. We are calling this 'Time 2 Talk'. By sending the same theme to all year groups, brothers and sisters can talk about it together along with parents and carers. Each week there will be pictures and questions to spark discussions for all ages, as well as linked videos and key vocabulary. The theme this week is 'pets'. If you haven't seen it already, have a look on our website - <https://www.curwen.newham.sch.uk/page/?title=Weekly+Homework&pid=333> Paper copies are available from the main office.

Finally, a big thank you goes to all the staff who have worked so hard to ensure all our online learning is up and running and on offer, as well as catering for the children who are attending school. Thank you to all the parents who have sent us positive comments via Studybugs and the website, we really appreciate them. We would like to create a 'Wall of Positivity' in school, so please send any comments via Studybugs or to info@curwen.tlt.academy. Please also send photos of your child/ren enjoying home learning to homelearning@curwen.tlt.academy and we will share them on our website or social media.

We wish you a fantastic weekend,

Mrs Mansfield

HAPPY NEW YEAR 2021

Contact Details

If you have changed any of your contact details over the winter holidays, you must inform the office as soon as possible so your child's details can be updated, we advise you message on StudyBugs, as this is the most efficient way to ensure details updated correctly. Please note that it is **vital** for us to have your child's/your details in case of any emergencies. In these unprecedented times we have to be able to get in touch with all parents as effectively as possible. We are continuously sending out important information on StudyBugs, therefore, please update your details and follow up on the latest information you receive from us.



Thank you for your co-operation.

Our Official YouTube Channel



The Tapscott Learning Trust are pleased to announce the launch of our YouTube channel. This was created to support parents with home learning, and includes videos on phonics, English, and Maths, as well as videos for Early Years and latest school information.



Find us at: www.youtube.com - Tapscott Learning Trust



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Zoom Safety

We would like to thank everyone that has managed to log into our online lessons this week. As we will be using Zoom for the near future to deliver lessons, we urge all parents to read the flyer below and be aware of the safety measure to ensure their child/ren safety.

Thank you for your ongoing support and effort.



What parents need to know about zoom



ZOOM BOMBING

'Zoom bombing' is the term which has been coined to describe unauthorised people joining zoom meetings uninvited and broadcasting pornographic or inappropriate videos. An attacker can hijack a meeting if they know the meeting ID and it isn't reinforced with a password. Not taking preventative measures or implementing privacy controls could open up the risk of children witnessing sexual or inappropriate content with very little notice.

RISK OF PHISHING

The rise in popularity of Zoom has led to a rise in hacking operations and phishing campaigns. This is when participants are encouraged to click on links to join what they believe to be legitimate Zoom meetings via email, but which are in fact fraudulent. These scams aim to obtain sensitive information such as user login details, passwords and/or credit card information.

PRIVACY CONCERNS

Depending on how the app has been set-up, Zoom can offer very little privacy. In many cases, the meeting hosts can see detailed information about each participant including their full name, phone numbers and maybe even location data. Furthermore, depending on where the camera has been set up or where your child's computer is positioned, private or personal information could be stolen depending on what can be seen in the background.

LIVE RECORDINGS

One of the features of Zoom is the ability to record live meetings. By default, only the host of the meeting can usually record live sessions however other meeting members can also record if the host gives them access. Recordings can be stored on devices or on the cloud and can be downloaded and shared with no restrictions. This means that videos, audio clips and transcripts of recordings involving your children could be widely shared on the internet or between users without your authorisation or consent.

PRIVATE ZOOM MEETINGS

Zoom has a facility to set up breakout rooms, which enables a private meeting within the main Zoom session. The host can choose to split the participants of the original meeting into separate sessions. This gives children the ability to speak privately away from the main group to other users however chats aren't always monitored by the host and if the meeting has been made public, children could be more vulnerable to experiencing negative comments.

'LIVE STREAMING' RISKS

At its very core, Zoom facilitates live streaming. That means it inevitably carries some of the associated risks that live streaming brings. These are likely to be minimal within a controlled environment (for instance when used in a classroom setting for remote learning). However, live streaming means that content isn't always moderated and children who use the app unsupervised or with limited security settings, may be more at risk of exposure to viewing inappropriate material. Other risks can include downloading malicious links, sharing personal information or even potential grooming.



Additional Learning



As of Monday 11th Jan, the BBC will be providing daily learning for Primary children which they may enjoy:

Starting on Monday 11 January, each weekday on CBBC will see a three-hour block of primary school programming from 9am, including BBC Live Lessons and BBC Bitesize Daily, as well as other educational programming such as Our School and Celebrity Supply Teacher and much loved titles such as Horrible Histories, Art Ninja and Operation Ouch... Bitesize Daily primary and secondary will also air every day on BBC Red Button as well as episodes being available on demand on BBC iPlayer.

We are also offering a wide variety of home activities and have compiled a list of useful links that our children may enjoy, all of those can be found on our website.

We do not want this to keep children away from **our Zoom sessions** but might be something enjoyable for them to watch if they have

Parental Hotline



HOTLINE

We understand how difficult this period has been on everyone, therefore we are here for you.

Parent Hotline for Non-Medical Issues/ Signposting parents to essential services. This line is monitored by our staff Monday to Friday 10am—3pm.



HOTLINE

Contact : 07944 224 266



Free
Family Learning Classes
Learning by Zoom:



Is English your second language?
Do you want to improve your English?
Would you like to help your children at school?

If the answer to these questions is "YES" then why not sign up for this course which begins on the date and time shown below.

You will need access to a smartphone, tablet or laptop to access the course by Zoom.

You will also need an email address.

You will receive a link to access the lessons.

Don't worry! Your teacher will help you to get started and enrol.

Venue	Curwen Primary School via Zoom
Day	Friday
Date	15 th January 2021
Time	9.30 – 11.30am

All participants will receive a certificate on completion of the course.

To enrol please visit our website:

<https://www.newhamadultlearning.co.uk/family-learning.php>

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