



Hovingham & St Hilda's CE (VC) Primary Schools Federation

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Dear Parents,

We want to say a huge thank you for the ongoing support that you show us. We'd also like to thank the children for their positive attitude to lessons during the first few weeks of remote learning.

We aim to clearly outline each day the work that needs to be returned to class teachers. Seeing the work is really important to us in order that we can celebrate it, provide supportive feedback and confidently plan the next steps in your child's learning. Earlier this week we sent reminders about how to 'turn in' Teams assignments. Please do continue to get touch if you need any further help with this or any other aspect of home learning.

You may not be aware that the Microsoft Teams App can be downloaded to many Smart phones. Several parents have told us that having the App on their phone has made photographing work and uploading assignment evidence via Teams much easier as everything is on the one device. Please do continue to share these really helpful ideas!

As in previous weeks, we have continued making brief phone calls this week to each family. We do appreciate the pressure that you are under when supporting your child's learning at home. We are also aware of the pressure that our children are under and even though we are trying hard to ensure your child's home schooling day mirrors a 'normal' day in school, we know that sometimes this isn't possible. To further support with mental health and wellbeing, starting next Wednesday, we are introducing a 'Welfare Wednesday' afternoon where various learning challenges will be suggested but where none will require any screen time to complete them. Of course, we'd love to share in how pupils engage in these activities!

It was lovely to have over 50 pupils be part of our Celebration Assemblies via Teams last Friday and we are looking forward to them taking place again later today. Whilst it will be wonderful if your child can join, we reiterate that we know it may not be possible for everyone to be part of each session.

We hope that most, if not all families, will have by now received the skipping ropes posted out earlier this week. We hope that the pupils are enjoying using them.

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Take care everyone.

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