

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2021



Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of our first week of moving across to remote learning, I want to say a huge well done to the whole of our TMA school community. Our pupils have been brilliant, adapting to their new ways of working and we have been so impressed with how they have been engaging with the live maths and remote learning sessions. We have also been really pleased with how quickly the children in school have settled back in and the quality of the work they are producing. We are really proud of how hard all the children have been working. I would also like to say a massive thank you to all our parents and carers for working with the children at home and supporting with the learning activities. We know that it has probably been a very challenging week for you all becoming familiar with the new online systems, new timetables and primary school topic areas! All the staff really appreciate your support with this. Please remember if you would like any help or have any problems, please contact us at school using the email address [head@tma.bucks.sch.uk](mailto:head@tma.bucks.sch.uk) and a member of the team will come back to you as quickly as possible.

During this lockdown period we will continue to follow each year group's curriculum journey for the Spring Term. It is really important and an expectation that all pupils will engage in the lessons and learning activities each day. We appreciate how difficult this lockdown period is for everyone and understand the challenges of potentially needing to support multiple children at home whilst in some cases, also working from home yourselves. Please do what you can and if any of you are struggling in any way, please do not hesitate to contact us. We are here to help in any way we can.

The teaching team have really enjoyed delivering the live sessions and after a few initial hiccups as we get use to this way of working, they are beginning to feel more confident with this new approach to teaching. Please can I remind everyone that the live sessions are for pupils only and no parents or carers can join these sessions. For safeguarding reasons, only our TMA pupils should be part of the live lessons. If you wish to sit with your child whilst they engage with the sessions, this is absolutely fine, but please ensure you are not visible on the screen and do not involve yourself in the discussion or question sessions whilst the lesson is in progress. We understand that many of you may have lots of questions as we continue on this journey and may need additional clarification and this should be done by contacting the school using the email address [head@tma.bucks.sch.uk](mailto:head@tma.bucks.sch.uk). Thank you for your cooperation with this.

We have been made aware that the children are able to access Teams through using an Xbox or PlayStation. Whilst there will be some limitations such as no camera, the children will still be able to see and hear their class teacher delivering the live sessions. This may be helpful for those of you who are in need of additional devices in your households.

I hope you and your families have a wonderful weekend.

With very best wishes,

*Lucy Eldridge*

Head of Two Mile Ash School