



MANOR PARK CE (VC) FIRST SCHOOL & PRE-SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Well done to everyone for another great week of remote learning. Year 1 and Reception have been enjoying live sessions this week and it is great that these have been such a success. We have seen lots of positive feedback on Google Classroom from children in all year groups about the live sessions and we have been really impressed with the number of children engaging with them.

In response to the remote learning questionnaire that we sent out, we are pleased to announce that we have set up a new channel on Manor Park TV called the **Parents' Subject Support Channel**. On here you will find lots of video tutorials that members of staff have made to support you with teaching your children at home with their Maths and English learning. One key resource is writing tips for each year group to help you to know what is expected of your child and what key things to look out for and encourage them to check when you are writing with them. Our intention is to keep adding to this channel and we will update you when more resources are ready.

In addition, we have asked teachers to make more pre-recorded lessons for Google Classroom as we know from the children that they find it more engaging to see a familiar face on the screen. For instance In Year 1 this week, guided reading video lessons have been launched and we continue to include pre-recorded videos for modelled writes in English in other year groups.

Furthermore, every year group will be offering a live workshop to parents in order to share ideas for engagement and TOP TIPS to get the most out of remote learning and any other information that was requested through the questionnaire. There will also be an opportunity to ask questions so please do join these meetings and we will try to help you as much as possible. We anticipate that these sessions will last approximately 20 minutes. The sessions will take place the first week back after half term, the week beginning the 22nd February 2021.

Please see the timings for each year group below.



Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
Wednesday 24th Feb 4:45pm	Wednesday 24th Feb 4:45pm	Tuesday 23rd Feb 4.30pm	Thursday 25th Feb 4:00pm	Thursday 25th Feb 5:00pm

We have deliberately put workshops for different year groups at different times so that if you have more than one child in school, you will be able to join in with the different workshops. If for any reason you cannot attend, the presentations by the teachers will be recorded and put onto the school website for you to access at your own convenience.

We hope to have more news to share with you regarding the national situation with schools in the first week back, once we have heard the Prime Minister's announcement on February 22nd. In the meantime, please do try and relax over half term and take a break from homeschooling. You have all done a brilliant job at taking over the role of your child's teacher but it is important to have a rest and try and enjoy some quality family time.

Enjoy a well-deserved break and we will be in touch after half term.

Mrs Jeffery and Mrs Derrien

