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Dear Parents and Carers



Zoom calls Great to see SO many children on Zoom calls this week! However **please** don't take screen shots of the children and then circulate these. Please remember that not all children can have photos circulated for a variety of reasons. **Zoom times next week** will be in the **Friday evening learning packs** so you can plan around them accordingly.



Learning Packs We are really glad that some families are **requesting printed packs of resources if they need them** now and we have been able to send a number out today. **If you need a pack and can't pick up** a group of local volunteers in the '**Toddington Covid 19 Help team**' have very kindly offered to deliver packs for families and they will also **help us deliver food boxes** where we are able to access them for you. Please just ring Mrs Voyce or myself on **01525 872360** or email on [**office@toddstg.co.uk**](mailto:office@toddstg.co.uk) to ask as necessary.

Transition Thanks to all who have already responded to the Year 4 transition letter for Parkfields. **If you missed that letter, then look at under 'News' for 28.4.20**

Can I reassure you that **for Year R and for Ducklings you DO NOT need to fill in a form like this** as class teachers will organise classes for September. (We complete them for Year 4 children as they move to a different school, a different number of classes and sets and also link up with 60 children from other schools, so the information requested for them is important so the new school know they all will have friends alongside them as they start at their new school).

Something else for you Many of you may not be keen to be looking for something else to do as managing; home schooling, family needs and work, may be quite enough!, but for others you may be keen to look at the courses attached. These **FREE courses** cover

- Staying well
- Being Creative
- Improving English

Lastly for tonight I understand that there are 3 phases recognised when things are difficult or traumatic

1. The Heroic Phase
2. The Disillusionment Phase
3. The Wiser Living Phase

- I know we have all certainly seen, and are still seeing the '**heroic phase**' amongst friends and family, and in our NHS.
- A number of people have certainly hit '**disillusionment phase**' this week as home schooling is hard when you are juggling other things, and are keen to be out and about and seeing friends and family.
- **However, to encourage you, we are all edging daily towards our 'Wiser living phase** when hopefully some of the really good things we have all seen resulting from this terribly sad and unexpected time will become part of our lives and will continue in society.

So as a school, whilst we don't want to make light of the hardship for many, we are trying to **stay positive, support each other and support you** as we look ahead. We hope that if you hit a low you can ring school for advice if you need and we can all support each other in keeping on going.

To help us **we have committed to all learn the verse and chorus of 'We'll meet again' for next week's VE celebration** here at school.

We know that when we sing together our spirits lift, so maybe give it a go too, and all of Toddington will be singing together next week!

Wishing you the very best,

Jane Spencer

Head teacher