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Dear Parents and Carers

Attendance

As the third week of online lessons comes to a close, it is wonderful that attendance to lessons remains so high. Every day for the past two weeks numbers of students not logging on are in single figures and we continue to phone home if parents haven't already contacted us to let us know that their child is unwell or has an appointment and is unable to attend lessons. **Please continue to call the absence line 01787 326941 by 8:30am if your child is unable to attend their online lessons.**

Free School Meal parcels

We will now be distributing the Free School Meal parcels on a weekly basis. If you have requested a food parcel, these will be available to collect from the school Reception Office from 11am every Monday. This will start from Monday 25th January.

Message from Miss Duffy regarding Drama lessons

To enable group work and participation in practical elements of remote Drama lessons, the use of a computer microphone would be hugely beneficial to students. This week, many students have reported that their mics don't work, and it could be that these issues are down to computer settings rather than malfunctioning mics. I would be very grateful if you could spend a few minutes with your child ahead of lessons next week, checking the settings to see if they can access a mic for their Drama lessons. Any students still unable to use a mic after this check need not worry but having as many as possible able to participate verbally would make for more engaging lessons.

Free Course

There is a free course below for parents/carers/anyone who may be supporting an anxious learner at home:

Title: How to Support Anxious Online Learners

Led by: Tom Vodden, parent and educator

Date: Tuesday 26th January at 4pm GMT

Aimed at: Parents and professionals from any country

How to book: [Register here](#) to attend or to receive a recording

Other topics: Browse all upcoming free webinars [here](#)

Children's Mental Health Week

Children's Mental Health week will be running 1-7th February 2021 and the theme is 'Express yourself'. We will be running some competitions on Teams - details to be confirmed next week.

I hope that this email finds you all safe and well.

With kind regards

Rachel Kelly
Headteacher

