



Hoyland Springwood Primary School

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Dear Parents / Carers

We have successfully delivered our remote learning offer for a number of weeks and it will come to an end for the whole school next Friday. We believe that our remote learning offer has been as successful as it possibly can using Seesaw and Zoom in place of face-to-face teaching. These applications have proven to be incredibly easy to use and popular with the staff and pupils alike.

The safety of our pupils is always our first priority. As a reflective school, we are always reviewing our processes and looking for ways to improve. Having reviewed the settings in Zoom along with best practice and advice from our IT managers in the Trust, we are adding a 2nd level of security when joining a Zoom meeting. This will ensure that only students that are given the meeting link and sent the passwords will be able to access the meeting.

From tonight, all parents will be sent a password by text for their child to use when logging in each day. A new password will be sent each night for the next day. This password must only be given to the child entering the Zoom and no other siblings. As always, the children will press the link for the zoom through their Seesaw account and we ask that the children have their name as the person wishing to enter the meeting room. They will then type in the password sent to your phone through Schoolcomms to enter the meeting. If you do not receive texts from school, please contact us by email (see address in letterhead) with an up-to-date mobile number.

Please be reassured that we have not had any problems with Zoom at all. We have been made aware of this protocol and want to ensure that all safety precautions we can use are put in place to protect our children whilst learning virtually.

Yours Sincerely,

J. Hunt

Mrs Jennifer Hunt