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Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you are all well.

We are writing to update you with developments that we are making with home learning.

Along with many schools, we have been exploring different ways to deliver learning from home in case we have to close part or all of the school in the future. We have researched a variety of home learning platforms and have decided to use Microsoft Teams. This will also be an efficient way to set weekly homework. We understand that parents have a lot to juggle and therefore one of the main priorities when choosing a platform was to make sure it was easy and simple to use.

"Teams" will allow children and parents to access their learning activities online. There is a lot of potential with this platform but we will start with the basics. The activities set by the teachers will be clearly labelled and easy to navigate. Teams also provides a chat facility that will enable the teachers to keep in contact with children and support, discuss and respond to their learning.

You can access Teams on a computer/laptop, tablet or even a smart phone. It is advisable that you download the app as it is much easier to use.

The children have all been set up with accounts on Teams and therefore you will not need to pay for anything. Your child's class teacher will provide them with a username and password that they need to use when logging in to Teams.

The children have had some basic training in school so that they are familiar with what to do and we have created a Parent's guide to help you to support your children to use Teams. This guide is available on the Galliard website.

https://galliardprimaryschool.secure-primarysite.net/teams/

We are very excited to introduce this and improve the opportunities we can give the children when they are working from home. We understand that it may take some time to get used to it but we look forward to working together with you to get this in place as soon as possible.

Kind Regards,

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