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Dear Parents/Carers,

There have been some questions relating to our remote learning strategy, namely why we are not using Zoom and other such platforms to facilitate learning.

As you may be aware, using Zoom comes with certain safeguarding risks that we would rather avoid. It is also difficult for families to access live video lessons if they do not have a device for every school aged child in their home.

We are pre-recording lessons and uploading these to Tapestry and Google Classroom depending on the year group. This is so that we can keep the children safe and provide families with the flexibility to access the lessons at a time that suits them.

Since the first school closure last March, our staff have worked tirelessly to provide education and support for children at home, whilst also catering to those pupils who have been eligible to attend on site. We do this not just because it is our job, but because we care about all of the families within our school community.

Everyone at Concordia Academy appreciates that this is a difficult time for parents, and that supporting your children with their learning at home can be challenging. Like you, we have had to adapt to the ever changing guidance and we are trying to do so in a way that is accessible to everyone.

If you have any questions or concerns about accessing remote learning, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher via Tapestry or their class email address.

Yours sincerely,

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