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Dear Parents and Carers

What's on the Menu? – Our Virtual Classroom Topic

As Andrew let you know on Monday, our Virtual School provision is now changing. Due to the majority of school staff now being needed to work in schools, we only have a small but dedicated team of staff to provide an online service. So that we are able to offer the best possible facility, we have been working with our IT developers to enable teachers from other Trust schools to share learning opportunities with your child's school. This work is now complete. From Thursday 4th June each Google Classroom will have an introduction from the staff who will be posting work and ideas, along with the first pieces of learning that you can share with your child.

This half term all online classrooms will be focusing on the same theme – 'What's on the menu?' In KS1 and KS2 learning will be based on this topic including lots of opportunities to learn outdoors. In the **Early Years** children will be provided with the opportunity to explore learning through a book a week starting with *The Princess and the Wizard*. Learning will be focused on sharing books and early reading.

As teachers will now each be planning for 12 classes they no longer be able to respond to work from pupils, therefore learning will be more focused on activities and shared experiences. Your child's own class teacher will still be able to post messages occasionally in their classroom, please do remember, however that they are now teaching in school full time. An addendum to the Home Learning in Exceptional Circumstances policy is attached.

Thank you for your on-going support in these challenging and unprecedented times.

Many regards

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