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Dear Parents / Carers,

I trust this email find you and your families healthy and happy!

The weather has been glorious during the first week of our Easter holiday period and has, I'm sure, served to lift our spirits during these troubling times.

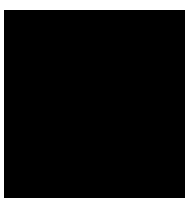
With the Easter Weekend fast approaching, on behalf of team Walford, I would like to wish you all a very peaceful and happy family time together! Our fantastic teachers will be spending quality time with their families too, therefore, they will not be in touch via Walford's amazing 'Home-Learning' daily offer on Good Friday or Easter Monday. On Tuesday, 14th April, however, we will be back, up and running... keen to hear all about, and share, our wonderful Easter Weekend experiences!

We have all been thrilled to see and speak to the children via 'Zoom' this week. Our aim was to provide a platform for us all to be able to speak and see each other, in order to lift our spirits... it has been an enormous Walford success! The feedback has been absolutely fantastic – our Walford families, and Class Teachers too, have all clearly loved taking part. If your child(ren) did not join in this week, I would urge you to get ready to take part in next week's sessions detailed below.... **YOU WILL NOT BE DISAPPOINTED:**

Walford ZOOM Sessions

Tuesday (14th April)	Class R 10.00am	
Wednesday (15th April)	Class 1 10.00am	Class 2 2.00pm
Thursday (16th April)	Class 4 10.00am	Class 6 2.00pm
Friday (17th April)	Class 5 10.00am	Class 3 2.00pm

N.B. In order to sign up for the ZOOM sessions, please refer to the Zoom Parent/Carer Guidance below. This, of course, is completely optional and there is absolutely no pressure for anyone to take part. If, however, you would like your child(ren) to take part, you will need to do the following:



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- Download the Zoom app or program onto your device, or ...
- Link in through your internet browser: zoom.us/join
- Your child will receive the Meeting ID and the Meeting password via Showbie on the morning of their session.
- These details need to be inputted into Zoom (zoom.us/join) just before your allocated time so that your child(ren) can be a part of the session.
- Sessions will be organised by the teachers who will be the host.
- Children do not need, nor should they create their own Zoom account.

In order to adhere to relevant safeguarding practices, everyone involved **MUST** follow the rules set out below:

- Parents/Carers **must** give permission for their child to take part by messaging the class teacher (via email or Showbie before Monday, 6th April 2020).
- A parent/carer **must** be present in the room with their child(ren) during a Zoom session.
- Photographs / recordings **must not** be taken during a Zoom session.
- Every child **must** adhere to the usual school Code of Conduct, e.g, appropriate conversations.
- Every child **must** be wearing appropriate clothing, e.g., no nightwear.
- Every child **must** be in a central space within the house, e.g., the lounge / kitchen. Zoom sessions should not take place in a bedroom.
- All details of the session, including IDs and passwords, **must** be kept private and confidential.
- All links / Meeting IDs and passwords will be sent to children's Showbie accounts on the morning of their session.
- Sessions will be no longer than 40 minutes.
- There will always be **two teachers** present in any Zoom session taking place.

I would also like to take this opportunity to signpost you all to the school website where you can access the Twitter feed to enjoy, with your children, everything that is happening day-to-day. In addition, you will find some very useful parental/carer tips and guidance in the **Key Information** section. Click on **COVID-19**, scroll down past the Home-Learning Class Pages and you will find lots of useful information. Please do take the time to look in the **Health & Well-Being** section... here, you will certainly find something to raise your spirits whenever things get a little too much!

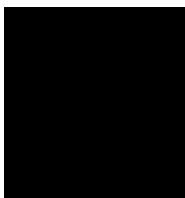
Once again, please be assured that your Walford family are here to help and support you in any way that we can. Do not hesitate to email Admin or alternatively, class teachers if there is anything else you think that we could assist you with.

Finally... Happy Easter Holiday Weekend Everyone!

Keep safe and keep smiling!

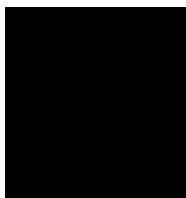
Kind regards

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