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Hello all,

Me again! I hope you are all well. I have seen a few of you in school, which has been nice. Fin laughed at me because I didn't know how to use the dishwasher.

Firstly, well done for those of you that are logging into your live lessons. Unfortunately, the times when you have your lessons are the times when I'm teaching my Year 9s so I can't even come in to check on you. However, your mentors and Mr Hodges keep me updated with how you're getting on.

The attendance for the live lessons aren't the best, there are still a few of you that are not logging in. I hope that over the next few weeks, this changes.

Below is a reminder of your live lessons timetable:

| Tuesday 09:00 | Tuesday 11:00 | Wednesday 09.00 | Wednesday 13:00 | Thursday 09.00 | Friday 09.00 |
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| Geography | History | English (all students) | MFL (all students) | Science (all students) | Maths (all Students) |

As you can see, you have Geography and History on the same day. However, these are pre-recorded lessons. You don't have to do these lessons at 9am and 11am. If you find it easier for your daily schedule, that's fine but it's not vital. As the lessons are recorded, you can access them any time that day. You can access them by going into the Team for that lesson and clicking on the **Assignments** tabs. There you will find the recording and the additional tasks, which should all be completed. Your teacher also emails you the additional lessons too and as I am in your email group, I see this happening.

English and MFL is also on the same day, these aren't recorded lessons and I can see that MFL is at 1pm, which may be in the middle of your scheduled lunch break. Unfortunately, this can't be changed, due to logistics. However, as you have a considerable amount of time between lessons, you can reschedule your lunch for Wednesday.

And one more thing, please don't panic. If you are struggling to log onto a lesson, just let us know. You can always access the recording at another time. And please remember that every child in the world is in the same position as you. You are not behind. We are working very hard on a recovery curriculum. By the time you return to school, it won't feel like you've missed out.



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It was nice to see pleasant conversations and kindness taking place in the email chat. If I'm honest, the chats do make me smile. It really embodies the notion of family and love. Your willingness to help one another and your confidence to converse so freely. It feels like we're all together. Please keep the email chat going but remember...be nice!

You should have all received a letter from Mrs Rivaldi this week with regards to choosing the Language you would like to continue studying when we return in Year 8 in September. You can view the letter by [clicking here](#). Remember when making your choice that this is the language you will study through until Year 11 so make sure you choose it because you enjoy it and not because one of your friends is also choosing it.

I know that you are all missing me...and each other. So we are planning to have you in school – in mentor groups. You won't be doing normal lessons and it won't be for an entire week and you can also wear your own clothes. The idea is to spend some time with each other before we break up for summer and come back in September when you are in Year 8. I can't believe that you're going to be in Year 8. I know you'll think you're grown but you still won't be. Remember my no boyfriend/girlfriend rule – that still stands. J (Until you're 36.) I would like you to email me with suggestions about what you'd like to do when we come back before summer. The other Family Leaders and I are meeting but I'd love to have your feedback. After all, the day will be about you.

During this difficult time we have seen some amazing and creative work from students. To celebrate, here is a sample of artworks created by our students during lockdown in response to project assignments, competitions and also personal art projects: [Art Exhibition](#)

Every year, during the month of June, the LGBTQ community celebrates in a number of different ways. Across the globe, various events are held during this special month as a way of recognising the influence LGBTQ people have had around the world. You have seen rainbows very recently in windows during this pandemic but you may now see rainbows that are to celebrate Pride. Action for Children have got an article on [5 family-friendly ways to celebrate Pride](#), and Miss Kavanagh has also put a PSHE session on SMHW for Pride Month.

What have you been doing over the past week? It has been really warm. Like I said last week, I returned to school and as I'm going to school, I've had to drive my car. I saw a big spider in there and tried to capture it but it disappeared. A few days later, I saw it again and it did the same thing when I tried to capture it. So I took my car to have it professionally cleaned; they hoovered and gave it a scrub. A few days later, I saw some webs near the passenger's seat so I knew the spider was enjoying life in my car when I wasn't there. A day or two later, guess what...I saw the big spider again and it ran away. So I took it to another car wash place and told them that there has been a spider chilling in my car for two weeks



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and begged them to clean it thoroughly. They spent ages on it. They hoovered and cleaned every corner. The following day, I bought an insect fogger and fogged the car. I haven't seen the spider again but I won't be at peace until I haven't seen it in a month. If you haven't guessed, I'm scared of spiders. Are any of you?

So that's my interesting event. I hope yours are better than that and don't involve spiders.

Anyway, as always, if you need help with anything, email me. I will always respond as soon as I can.

Kind regards,

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