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Dear parents/carers

We have had a busy start to the new term with our pupils settling back into school and they are working hard. In the last few weeks there have been some amazing projects taking place. There has been lots of poetry in school, as well as artwork through our "Identity and Heritage" project in which pupils were able to think about themselves. Please find the time to look at the poem and artwork using the links below:

Year 3: <https://tinyurl.com/yxjckxd8>

Year 5: <https://tinyurl.com/yxrrznva>

Year 4: <https://tinyurl.com/y2ap329l>

Year 6: <https://tinyurl.com/y33hmfzq>

We have some very exciting news to tell you. Sarah Turner, the Enfield Learning Trust's Chief Executive Officer, has recently announced that the Trust has decided to provide a Chromebook for every pupil in our school. This is still being organised, but hopefully in the near future, this will enable every child to take the Chromebook home so that in all circumstances, learning can continue. This project is called "ELT Connected". There is a lot to do to prepare for this - the Chromebooks have been ordered; there will be agreements that will need to be signed by parents to keep the devices safe and secure, and to ensure that these are used for school educational purposes only.

We have also been preparing teachers and pupils how "live" lessons can be taught virtually by staff, if this becomes necessary in the future. All pupils will be given a Google account so they can be taught in "Google Classrooms". All this is being worked on now. Please do not worry about this. We are just following Government advice to make sure your child can continue their education if the situation changes.

I would also like to take this opportunity to remind you that we are all following Government guidance in school and most of our parents are collecting and dropping off their children promptly, keeping socially distanced and not waiting around in the playground or on the pavement. Advice is to drop off and collect and do not socialise on the school playground or just outside. Some parents are naturally anxious if others do not stick to the advice and they have asked us to remind you all. Please keep your distance when talking to staff and do not be offended if they ask you to keep that distance - it is for the safety of us all.

I know you will agree and thanks to the parents who have personally thanked our staff - our teachers, teaching assistants, learning mentor, parent support adviser, admin and attendance staff, cleaners and site staff - are doing an amazing job under very difficult circumstances. They are working incredibly hard, making sure your children are both safe and learning.

We have not had any confirmed cases in school and, of course, if this does happen we will let you know and follow all the Public Health advice.

Yours faithfully

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