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Dear Parents,

Microsoft Teams and Additional Resources

You may recall that we have been looking at ways to use Microsoft Teams to engage with our pupils. This is a new facility to us and when we tried it out we found that it had some issues which concerned us in terms of its safe use with children. We have spoken to our technical support providers who have managed to alleviate some issues however we still have concerns. Conversations with our technician and our own testing shows us that the record facility has been disabled but not the ability for pupils to re-join a meeting after it has finished and they are still able to let each other into any renewed meeting. This would enable them to potentially use our Teams meeting link unsupervised by us which we feel is unsafe. Once we have resolved this issue teachers will be in touch with you to set up the first session with their class. I am meeting with one of our technicians tomorrow to discuss this.

I would also like to take this opportunity to signpost you towards some additional resources that we hope you will find useful support during these challenging times. We think those of you still learning away from school will find these of particular use. To find out more please see: <https://www.leighbransford.worcs.sch.uk/parents/additional-home-learning-resources-and-information/>. Also I would like to let you know that we will continue to look for ways to keep your children connected to the school and to their teacher and have some further ideas to try next week on Dojo.

Finally we have no new DfE guidance following Boris Johnson's announcement yesterday and are therefore still working to the most recent guidelines we have. Should this change I will of course let you know.

Yours sincerely,

Mr S Bill
Headteacher