Live Lessons Acceptable Use Agreement for Parents/Carers



Purpose

The provision of high-quality teaching and learning is at the core of everything we do at The Beacon CE Primary School. In order to support pupils in the event of whole class 'PODS' required to isolate or whole school closure due to COVID 19, The Beacon CE Primary is implementing a new programme of live lessons.

This document sets out the procedures that must be adopted by parents/carers of The Beacon CE Primary and pupils aged 11 and under, when participating in live lessons with The Beacon CE Primary staff.

These procedures are provided as an appendix to the document The Beacon CE Primary Safeguarding Policy - Statement: Live Lessons, September 2020.

Parents/carers are asked to agree to these procedures using Parentmail to give consent to the The Beacon CE Primary before Live Lessons can commence. Should any of these procedures not be complied with by either party, Live Lessons will be suspended and a Senior Leader will investigate. If this is not possible, the online activity will not be able to continue.

Communication between The Beacon CE Primary and the Parent/Carer

- Communication will be between a The Beacon CE Primary staff member and the pupils @beacon.ldst.org.uk account.
- Further lessons will be scheduled using the Microsoft Office Teams App. For ease it is advised that parents download the Microsoft Office Teams App as notifications will be sent direct to this of any new content.
- Under no circumstances will we contact your child directly or accept contact from them without your knowledge.
- Under no circumstances should a pupil's personal contacts be shared.

Adult Supervision

An adult should be present in the pupil's home while the activity is taking place. Adults do not need to be in the same room but must be in the vicinity. If the adult is not at home the activity should not proceed.

Time of Lesson & Duration

- Activity will only be scheduled when permission has been received through Parentmail for lessons to take place, along with commitment to adhere to this Acceptable Use Agreement.
- Lessons will only take place between 08:45-15:30, Monday-Friday. The start time of scheduled lesson will be sent by the class teacher via Teams invite the morning of the lesson.
- Exact lesson duration will be set in the invite and will differ depending on the age of the pupils. The lesson will be no longer than 1 hour per lesson.
- Your child should be ready for their lesson to start promptly at the agreed time along with any resources or equipment they will need. If the lesson is late starting, the duration of the lesson may be reduced.

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Learning Environment

- The lesson requires a calm, quiet space, free from distraction. This should be a place where the pupil can stand or sit comfortably.
- It is preferred that teaching and learning online takes place in a communal area in the home, i.e. a dining/living space; lessons should not take place in the pupils bedroom.
- The area behind the pupil and teacher when they are on camera should be as neutral as possible, and not display any personal items, offensive images or words, or personal information.
- Parents/carers are asked to remain in the vicinity of the lesson, not necessarily in the same room but in the same building, with the door to the teaching room left open.
- Pupils should not use headphones.

Appropriate Dress

- Pupils may dress informally for the lessons, however, we ask that it is appropriate for an educational environment, for example what they might wear for a non-uniform day at school.
- Clothing worn by a pupil which does not meet this expectation is not acceptable and lessons will be suspended if not adhered to.

Recording and Observation of Lessons

- Under no circumstances should you or your child record / video or screen shot the lesson. This is to ensure the safeguarding and privacy of your family and our staff member. The Beacon CE Primary staff are also not permitted to record / video or screen shot lessons.
- Lessons may be observed by another Beacon CE Primary staff member. This will either be a senior leader, to observe the lesson for quality purposes, or a member of the Safeguarding team to ensure safeguarding procedures are being adhered to.

Lesson Content

- Lesson content will be tailored to follow the sequence of learning and adapted where possible to allow staff to replicate classroom activity to the best of their ability.
- Parents/carers are encouraged to join the start and end of each lesson so you are clear of the goals and objectives for that lesson, and understand any home practise to be undertaken by your child before the next lesson.

Equipment and platforms

- Lessons should only be conducted on a communal family or a parent/carer's personal device.
- Live lessons should be undertaken using the Microsoft Office Teams app/web based resource.



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- Once lesson days and times have been arranged invites will be sent for the lessons the details to the pupils @beacon.ldst.org.uk account, including the relevant link to access the online lesson.
- Beacon CE Primary staff will disable various features within the Microsoft Teams application.

Cancellation & Absence

- Should our staff member be unable to take the agreed lesson, you will be contacted with as much notice as possible to inform you of the cancellation and where possible to rearrange the lesson.
- If your child cannot participate in their lesson due to sickness please notify the school office, as soon as possible in advance of the agreed lesson day/time.

As a parent/carer, it is your responsibility to ensure that you:

- Have talked through how the Live Lessons will work with your child to ensure they are happy to participate.
- Shared the pupil guide with pupils and discussed how to participate in lessons.
- Give consent via Parentmail/ Microsoft forms for your child to participate in Live Lessons with The Beacon CE Primary.
- Agree to the procedures and information within this Acceptable Use Agreement.
- Are aware of the date, time and teacher of each online lesson.
- Are aware of how your child will access the online lesson (i.e. the Microsoft Teams link) and on what device (e.g. a communal or parent/carer laptop, smartphone, tablet).
- Can ensure your child can access a suitable learning environment to participate in their Live Lessons.

Privacy Statement

The collection, storage, management, processing and protection of any data relating to pupils and parents/carers will be in accordance with The Beacon CE Primary Privacy Statement, which can be found on the school website.

If you have any concerns or questions in relation to this agreement please contact:

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