



Sherrier Church of England Primary School

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Zoom Sessions for children at Sherrier Feb 2021

From next week we will be using 'Zoom' group check-ins for those children exclusively working from home. The idea is just a 15 – 20 mins catch up with a small group.

- **During Week 1 / 2: Zoom Group Check-ins**
- **After half term: Check-in times and Small group sessions to help with tricky work**

Important things to know:

Before the sessions and getting on

1. Children will access this via their year group "door" on the "virtual rooms" page on the "home learning" tab of the website. With parent support, children will be able to access meetings from any PC/Laptop, Smartphone and tablets.
2. Group sessions will be scheduled with your child, their class teacher and a small number of other children in their class. You will receive your child's meeting time from their class teacher via class dojo. After clicking on the year group door, you will be prompted to enter your class password which be included in the Dojo message.
3. Please do not share this password with anyone else, these have been set to ensure privacy and online safety. There will be a 'waiting room' enabled, anyone who tries to join the meeting will be placed into a 'waiting room' where they will be shown a message stating "Please wait, the meeting host will let you in soon". The Class Teacher will only admit participants that we recognise and are expecting in to the meeting.

During the session

1. Once everyone has joined the meeting by the given time, we will not let anyone else in and we will lock the meeting. The class teacher will have the ability to remove a participant from the meeting if necessary. As the meeting will be locked, they will then be unable to get back in. We should not need to do this unless there is a safeguarding reason or inappropriate behaviour. The class teacher will also have the ability to put the meeting on hold.
2. Parents please be mindful that other children might see or hear you and anything in the background. Ensure that no one in the household uses inappropriate language etc. whilst the child is in the group session. Please ensure that nothing inappropriate can be seen in the background. Use of the chat facility is only be used in connection with the group session as led by the class teacher.
3. We do understand it may not be possible for all children to access this due to parents work commitments, therefore these are not compulsory sessions. Please be aware that although we have consistently looked at ways to improve our internet signal in school it can be inconsistent and there maybe times the screen freezes or the call drops off. We are hopeful that by doing only one session at a time, the internet will be able to sustain this. We have also ensured that every year group will be doing it at a different time so that if there are siblings using the same device, they will not all need it for the same timeslot.

Kind regards ,

Sherrier Team

