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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have made it to the end of our first week in these extremely difficult circumstances. However, I have been humbled by the wonderful messages of support that our schools have received and also by the collective feeling that 'we are all in this together'.

I would like to take this opportunity of saying a huge thank you to our staff who have put themselves at the front of helping our communities and I'm extremely happy to see that school and trust staff are now being recognised as national heros in the media.

Getting online and learning from home can be difficult. If you are finding it hard to access online learning, please focus on reading for at least 30 minutes a day and practising times tables with your children. The schools will not be sending any more home learning until after what would have been the Easter holidays but there are lots of resources available on the website

Our volunteer group has been set up and is being co-ordinated by Mr. Mansfield. If you would like to volunteer please email us at <u>info@ttlt.academy</u>, letting us have your name, telephone number and a brief idea of tasks that you are happy to do such as picking up and delivering shopping/collecting prescriptions etc.

In the meantime, if you need non-medical support please contact the Trust's Helpline on **07944 224 266**, Monday to Friday 10am-3pm. School staff will be on hand to signpost parents to external services and offer help where possible.

At North Beckton, plans are underway to support the Beckton and Royal Docks community distribution hub and we are extremely proud to be able to support our local community in this way. Please remember that you are welcome to contact us on the school number: 0207 473 3344 or on <u>info@northbeckton.newham.sch.uk</u> if you have any questions or concerns.

Please take time this weekend to rest if you possibly can; we will get through this together.

Best wishes,

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