



Familiarity



Sending photos or videos of different areas in school (e.g. library) to children not attending will help them to feel connected to school as well as providing reassurance that school is still the same and waiting for them to come back.

Encourage connection for the children in school



Formulate a special virtual handshake/greeting with each child and use it every day to greet them.

Allow different 'bubbles' to connect by playing games such as Noughts and Crosses on the window with whiteboard pens or by mirroring actions

Use Walkie-Talkies to communicate with different bubbles.

Be Kind, Be Curious, Be Connected...

A book we recommend...



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Stay connected with the children not attending

The class teacher could host a weekly fun game such as 'Higher or Lower', 'Go Noodle' or 'Hangman' where a group of children are invited to take part via Skype, Teams or Zoom?

Or how about a virtual 'Hot Chocolate' club with a different group of children each week as a time to socialise and check-in?

Send a short letter or postcard through the post to each child.

Pair the children in school up with a child not attending and encourage them to be 'pen pals'.

