

Dear Parents and Carers,

You will all be aware of the Governments decision to move everyone into a second national lockdown from Thursday 5th November. We know this will be causing some worry for everyone as these are uncertain times.

We are really pleased that we are able to remain open as a school and will continue to provide full education for all of our children. We are looking forward to welcoming all of our children as normal tomorrow – Monday 2nd November. Please rest assured that we will continue to follow our Covid-19 Risk Assessment moving forward and will continue to strive to keep everyone in school as safe as we can.

Now the weather is much colder, please can we ask that parents ensure that children are warmly dressed for school. Children will need to wear their sweatshirt every day. We recommend that children wear additional layers to keep warm, such as vests. This is because we are required to keep our classrooms well ventilated in order to ensure that children are breathing fresh clean air.

Please can we remind parents that when on site face coverings should be worn at all times. Coverings, to be effective, should be worn over the nose and mouth.

Please can we also ask that parents make every effort to socially distance when on site and only enter and leave the site briefly to drop off or pick up children. Please try to ensure that children are not arriving outside of their start window as this leads to children mixing outside of their bubble.

Also, please can we ask that parents do not approach staff members for conversations at drop off and pick up. I know this feels strange to both staff and parents. However, any messages can be sent via the school office (either by phone or by email). It is really important that we keep our staff healthy and safe and limit their contact with others, so that we can keep our bubbles open and all of our children in school and learning.

We thank you in advance for your continued support, hopefully we can stay fully open for another half term. We hope you all stay safe and well.

Yours sincerely



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