

25th September 2020

Dear parents and carers,

I wanted to write to you thank you all for the support and understanding you have shown around the arrangements for the reopening of school since the start of term. Staff across all of our sites have enjoyed welcoming all our children back into school and I believe that the children have enjoyed being back with their teachers and support staff.

The special plans we have in place to keep your children safe during the current pandemic, we believe, have been working well so far. These are under continual review to ensure that we follow the latest guidance as it changes.

The measures we have in place are based on a thorough risk assessment that includes:

- limiting contact and maximising distance between people in school where we can
- reducing visitors to school
- enhanced cleaning arrangements
- robust hand washing and respiratory hygiene measures

All of us have a role to play in keeping our school and community safe, so I ask that you do not send your child to school if:

- they do not feel well
- they have symptoms of COVID-19 or have tested positive
- you, someone in your household or support bubble has symptoms or has tested positive

The typical symptoms of COVID-19 are:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough
- a loss or change in sense of smell or taste

If you, your child, or anyone in your household has these symptoms, you should book a free Coronavirus (COVID-19) test and self-isolate in line with the guidance at www.nhs.uk/coronavirus. The same guidance applies to school staff.

Together, by following the guidance and advice, we can play our part in keeping each other safe.

Yours sincerely,



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