

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

Following an increase in confirmed cases of Covid-19 in our local community, we have received a letter from the South West UK Health Security Agency advising us to bring in measures following consultation.

**The measures we will be bringing in are:**

- All assemblies including collective worship will return to a virtual option for the children.
- Class assemblies with parents invited in will be cancelled, however we are looking at ways of streaming the assemblies for parents to view.
- Non-essentials visitors and all non-essential meetings will be cancelled or moved to a virtual format.
- All extra-curricular clubs, including all music lessons and after school activities will be cancelled until further notice. This **does not** include the wraparound care provided by The Holiday Club, which will still run for breakfast and afterschool provision. Sporting fixtures will be cancelled.
- Photographs due on Wednesday the 10<sup>th</sup> November will be postponed until the new year. Further date to follow.
- Reception New Intake Open Days will be cancelled.
- Lunchtimes will remain unchanged but children will stay within year groups in the lunch hall.
- Parent Coffee Mornings will be cancelled.
- At this time we are not going back into year group bubbles, but this could remain an option moving forwards.
- Work will continue to be made available for any child who has tested positive (and well enough to access it) for Covid-19.

**The following hasn't changed but just a reminder:**

Please can we ask that you continue to regularly lateral flow. Many parents are already testing and testing their children and we encourage you to continue to do so. In addition, can we remind you as parents/carers to adhere to social distancing guidelines at collection and drop off. Mask wearing remains optional but is something encouraged especially if social distancing cannot be maintained.

- Hand sanitising continues to be of utmost importance for all of us, this will continue to be done frequently throughout the school day.
- Planned trips will continue, unless we hear from the organisers directly.

These changes will be introduced from **Tuesday 2nd November** until further notice but will be reviewed regularly and updates sent to you as always.

Thank you for your support

Jane Barker-Doe