

Friday 16th July 2021

COVID UPDATE

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we near the end of term, we are carefully considering plans for September and thinking about how next year may be more 'back to normal'. Some information has been shared by the Department for Education and, although it is likely that more is to come, we have been informed that 'bubbles' will NOT be required in September. Therefore, it will no longer be necessary to send large groups of pupils home in the event of a positive test. This is very welcome news and means that we can begin to plan for a return to school as we know it!

In light of this update, please be aware of the following points:

- In September, the school day will return to normal times and there will be no need for a staggered start and finish time. Children will be in school at 8.50am and will be collected at 3.05pm.
- Children will no longer be in class bubbles and will be able to mix across their year group, particularly at break and lunchtimes.
- Breakfast club will start again on Monday 13th September.

Please be aware that these changes will only come into place in September. For the remainder of this term, we will not be making any changes to the running of school. As you are aware, we have had a number of positive COVID cases in school. Please continue to wear a mask whilst on school premises and ensure that you socially distance from people outside your household.

As you know, we have had to respond very quickly to new information over the course of the pandemic. I will do my best to keep you informed throughout the holidays and at the start of the school year if there are any more government or Local Authority updates.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact the office and I will be happy to help.

Best wishes

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