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Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Revised school procedures

Following the announcement of the new national lockdown, we awaited specific guidance for schools, which was finally issued late on Wednesday afternoon! Fortunately, there were few implications for us and most of our procedures and routines will remain the same as they have proved to be both robust and effective. However, we have decided to review one or two aspects of our procedures.

As you will know, schools are to remain open to all pupils during the second lockdown. Therefore, I ask all parents and carers to comply with the instructions below to ensure that our staff stay safe and well so that they can continue to support all pupils over the coming weeks and months.

- Face coverings / masks to be worn by all parents and carers on and around the school site, unless you are medically exempt.
- Stick to your child's drop-off and collection times, aiming to arrive at school as close to each designated time as possible.
- Remain 2m distance whilst on and around the school premises, using the yellow lines to assist with this.
- Move away from the school as soon as you can. Please refrain from gathering on pavements to catch up with other parents as this makes social distancing difficult and can block pathways for other users.
- Ensure your child only brings in essential items to school (coat, lunch, drinks bottle and reading book). Toys and other items should stay at home.
- Please ensure you inform the school office immediately should your child or family member develop any Covid-19 symptoms.

In addition to this, from Monday, 9th November, staff will be asked to wear a face covering when in communal areas, where it is more difficult to socially distance. They will not be wearing a mask when working with children. Visitors to school continue to be restricted and, when they are permitted to visit, will continue to be asked to wear a face mask.

We have also reviewed our provision for BBKids to further reduce risk of transmission. This has entailed siblings not necessarily being able to spend time together in breakfast or after-school club as they will be placed in their usual bubbles. We understand some siblings may find this difficult at first and hope you understand that this is implemented with health and safety in mind!

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Attendance remains compulsory. Unless pupils are deemed clinically extremely vulnerable, are self-isolating following track and trace or are otherwise unwell, they should be in school. Remote education will be provided in these instances only. **Please let us know if you do not have an appropriate device on which you can access remote learning!**

These continue to be challenging times for all; however, the resilience and support shown by staff, parents and pupils has been amazing. Thank you to everyone for doing their bit!

Kind regards,



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