

Monday 18th January 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Headteacher: Mrs A Neale-B Ed (Hons)

I would just like to give you an update on how we are supporting our school community during this second lockdown period.

Some families are keeping their child at home because they are concerned that they may be vulnerable to the COVID infection. That's OK and you will not be fined for this.

To keep our staff and pupils safe and to minimise the spread of infection we have small class 'bubbles'. The Local Authority transport are also restricting minibus "bubbles", which is why some parents are bringing and collecting their children at the moment.

That is why we can only accommodate less than half of our children on site for face to face learning at any time. Some pupils may be in school for a reduced number of days, so that we can allow other families to have a turn in school and reach as many of you as we can, whilst also adhering to very strict Risk Assessment guidelines.

The school staff are working very hard to provide learning in these class bubbles, as well as provide online learning, "live lessons" and home learning packs to your homes. I'm sure you will agree that they are doing an amazing job! I would like to publicly thank them for their resilience, care and commitment, in challenging circumstances.

I know from my own personal experience that it can be extremely difficult to motivate your child to do school work at home, so just do your best and keep sending us messages and photos on DOJO, to keep in touch.

Every teacher will telephone you once a week to Keep in Touch and check on your child's welfare, whilst they are not attending the school site.

Please remember that the rate of transmission of this disease is high outside of the school building, through the mixing of households, adults and the not following correct lockdown and Hands, face and Space rules. We are continuing to decline access to our building to any visitors to limit numbers. Please call us if you need anything.

Thank you all for helping us to keep our vulnerable children very safe. We hope all our families stay safe.

Yours Faithfully

A Neale

Alison Neale
Head Teacher