

Good morning Parents and Carers,

I realise that last night's news about "plan B" COVID-19 restrictions may have sounded unsettling. I wanted to reassure you that the school will remain open and we will continue to do everything we can to supply a top-quality education for the children up until the end of term. We are hoping to keep going with as many of the end of term 'rite of passage' Christmas activities too - ultimately, this is what the children look forward to and remember at this time of year.

In order to keep the school COVID secure, we are once again reviewing our risk assessment, and will be continuing with the following mitigation:

- Children are encouraged to wash their hands regularly with soap and water, and use hand sanitiser, throughout the day
- We have a top premises team who are implementing enhanced cleaning and sanitising key touch points within the school throughout the day
- Doors and windows are used to keep regular airflow within the classrooms
- All staff are wearing masks when moving around the school and within communal areas
- Parents and carers are expected to wear masks when entering the school buildings, unless medically exempt
- The PTA cake sale (tomorrow) will continue as it is taking place outside.
- Children will continue to be sent home if they display any COVID symptoms.
- We ask that you don't send your child to school if they are unwell and you gain a PCR test - please keep us fully updated
- From today, whole school assemblies and events have been postponed - we will find ways to 're-invent' such activities
- We will continue to send you COVID update letters and information. We continue to seek and take advice from Public Health England, putting additional mitigation in place as advised
- Unlike the rumours regarding No.10, there is no staff Christmas party as our commitment is to keeping the school open. (A real shame for staff, but we will look to have an epic summer bash instead!)

Again, please be reassured that the school remains open and we look forward to an exciting final week with the children before we break up for the Christmas holidays.

Many thanks

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