



Monday 29<sup>th</sup> November

Dear Parents and Carers,

Since we last wrote to you last Monday, cases across Surrey have sadly continued to rise and we are all of course aware from recent news reports of the new Corona virus variant, Omicron, which is expected to be a more transmissible strain of the virus.

With all this in mind, please be mindful of the following school procedures from now until to the end of term:

- **Please wear a face covering for drop off and pick up each day.** Where possible, please keep to one person picking up your child and exit from the site promptly.
- Please remember we can only have two visitors into the school office at once.
- Please be aware that staff will again be wearing face coverings through the school day in all communal areas
- We will be revisiting the basic ACE COVID hygiene rules with the children over this week
- We will be ensuring ventilation in classrooms during each day, whilst balancing this need with aiming to keep as warm as possible in cold weather. Please make sure your child always comes to school with their school jumper or cardigan and a coat.
- Finally, if your child is unwell, and showing any COVID symptoms, please do not send them into school. If your child or anyone in your household has COVID symptoms, then please get a test. If your child is in school exhibiting symptoms, be aware we will contact you to bring your child home and get a test.

Under current guidance, events and gatherings in schools are still permitted. However, on evaluating and conducting a further risk assessment in conjunction with rising COVID numbers in our area, it is with a heavy heart, we have additionally made the decision that we are also not allowing visitors to site for the rest of term, to minimise the risk of transmission; this means not holding live events to audiences. Therefore, our infant nativity will be recorded and a video of the production made available on our school website in due course. Our planned Key Stage 2 Carols by Candlelight will sadly be cancelled, but we will also release a video of our Key Stage 2 children singing their Christmas songs for the school and parents to enjoy.

We understand that there may well be disappointment about this from both children and parents, but we are keen to do all we can to protect our school community and all our families during this run up to the festive season. Going forward into the season of Spring, we will of course look forward to planning and running events where we can bring the school together in lighter and brighter times.

We will of course keep you informed and let you know if any further measures are needed in the coming weeks.

Thank you for your continued support, understanding and compassion.

Yours sincerely,



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Executive Headteacher



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Head of School