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Dear Parents/Carers,

### Keeping everyone safe

Despite having left almost all safety measures in place since returning in September, we have over the last two weeks, seen a significant number of Covid cases across the school. We have been working closely with public health, and both pupils and staff have been fantastic in keeping to our strict rules and routines in order to help minimise any further cases. We do however also need parents support with this.

### One Way System.

We are maintaining our one-way system for drop offs and pick-ups, keeping all children and adults moving in the same direction across the school site. This is the busiest time of the school day. **Due to situations which may arise within school, we may not always have staff in all areas of the one-way system. They may be dealing with another issue. However, we would appreciate your support in keeping to these rules regardless of whether staff are in position or not.** This is a safety measure we have discussed with public health.

### Masks.

Public Health have advised us that staff should wear masks in all communal areas. We are asking all adults on premises to please wear a mask. **This includes drop off and pick up times.**

### If your child is unwell.

If your child is unwell, please do not send them to school. If they have any Covid symptoms, please book them a test and keep them at home until you know the result. If they have any other symptoms and you are unsure you can dial 111 and ask for advice. If the test is negative, they may return to school, once they are well enough. If the test is positive they must isolate.

### Households.

If anyone in your household tests positive, the entire household should access a test. If children's tests are negative, they are allowed to return to school. **Please monitor this.** We have had numerous cases where children initially tested negative and returned to school, however developed symptoms days later. If this happens, they should access another test and not come into school until their result is known.

This is an unsettling time for us and we really appreciate everyone's help and support with this.

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