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‘Placing learning at the heart of everything we do’

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Starting to look a lot better

Lighter mornings & evenings, a little smattering of warm sunshine and a vaccination programme that would seem to be working well. It looks like spring could be with us and things are definitely starting to look better.

So, two weeks back and all seems to be going to plan. As usual the children seem to continue to show us adults the way, in that for the vast majority they have been extremely Spikey and returned to their routines and got stuck back into their learning. As usual this seamless return to school has been supported so well by yourselves, with an attendance of 96% so far since returning to school. Spikey stickers all round, Thank you.

We have returned to school trying to maintain around 9 bubbles as well all staff and regular visitors testing twice a week, in order to minimise any risk of transmission. Touching wood, so far two weeks in and no positive cases reported, we must be doing something right. However, I'm sure there will be bumps in the road as society starts to open up and we will experience cases where it will be necessary to ask classes to self-isolate on the horizon. We will continue to revisit the school's Covid Risk Assessment and procedures over the coming months to ensure that we are doing all we can to ensure everyone remains safe.

School Gates

Our usual routines have been disrupted a little through both timetabling constraints due to running tighter bubbles and Mr. Radbone currently being off work. As soon as Mr. Radbone returns to work, we will be locking the road gate again for the morning and afternoon drop off and pick times. The later opening of the gate in the afternoon is due to needing to squeeze every last minute of the school day in order to allow everyone time to do P.E. and remain in their bubbles.

Thank you

Thank you for wearing face masks when entering the school site, looking forwards it looks like this is something that we as adults are going to have to get used to. Can I remind you to please where possible continue to keep your distance please and remember the staggered timings and entrances. After a couple of weeks, we should now be used to the routine of being on time and remembering lunchboxes and PE Kits. Thank you.

Red Nose Day

It was lovely to see everyone supporting Comic Relief and coming to school wearing red on Friday. As a school, we have raised a FANTASTIC £258.50, what an amazing effort for such a great cause. The donation page is still open until Friday, 26 March, so if you haven't donated yet you can still do so click on the link to make your donation.

<https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Foc/Default.aspx?shopid=2274>

Piano Lessons

We are looking where possible to start to get things back to normal, and one thing we have managed to Risk Assess is face to face Piano Lessons. Term Five will see the return of Piano lessons, details were shared in a letter last week, let's see if we can get as many children as possible learning to tickle the ivory keys.

Smokers

Please can I ask that those of you who require a last nicotine intake before entering the school site do so away from the school gates. I thought it was only Secondary School Headteachers who had to worry about smokers on the school gate!!!

Priestley & Proud

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Mr Marsh-Ballard
Headteacher