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Dear Parents and Carers,

With the national lockdown starting on the 5th November, and the Government making the sensible decision to keep schools open, I just wanted to remind you about the importance of following Government guidance including social distancing protocols.

Drop off and Pick Up:

It is essential that when you are dropping off your children that they remain with you until they enter the school site. Please do not allow them to mix with other children, especially those from other bubbles. Please can you also ensure that when you are waiting for the time in which your children are scheduled to go in, that you maintain a 2m distance from other parents and ensure that there is sufficient space for others to get past. This is particularly important for children who are entering the school site via the back gate. If your child is in KS1 and you have arrived prior to 8.50am, please can you wait on the field until 8.50am so that parents and children in KS2 can access the back gate safely.

When collecting your children from the field, please can you ensure that you maintain a 2m distance from other parents. Please can you ensure that your children stay with you once they have been released by their teacher. Please do not let them play on the field or mix with other children especially those from other bubbles.

After School Care:

During the period of the national lockdown, parents will continue to be able to book children into the after school provision. However, please find below the Government guidance which states that parents can continue to use wraparound care where reasonably necessary to enable parents to work, or for the purposes of respite care.

8. Childcare and children's activities

Parents will still be able to access some registered childcare and other childcare activities (including wraparound care) where reasonably necessary to enable parents to work, or for the purposes of respite care.

Early years settings can remain open. Parents are able to form a childcare bubble with another household for the purposes of informal childcare, where the child is 13 or under. As above, some households will also be able to benefit from being in a support bubble, which allows single adult households to join another household.

Full guidance about new restrictions can be accessed from this link: <u>https://www.gov.uk/guidance/new-national-restrictions-from-5-november</u>

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,

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