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Dear Parents & carers

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We are really looking forward to seeing all your children on Monday 8th March. We have all been really pleased to hear your positive comments about our remote learning offer, however being in school is still the best place for children to be. May I take this opportunity to thank you all for getting your children in front of the screens each day or getting them to school if you fall into one of the priority groups. Good stuff!

Please take some time to read the following information. Much of it remains the same as before Christmas.

Live Remote Teaching: Please note that we will NOT be offering a live remote lesson on Friday 5th March as staff will be using this time to prepare for full opening. Critical worker & vulnerable children attend school as normal.

Safety measures: We still have significant measures in place to ensure both the children and staffs' safety. The main measure is keeping the children in their own bubble for the day with staggered times for playtime, lunchtime, including start and end times for the day. We are still focusing on the importance of hand hygiene and ventilation.

2M: I must respectfully ask that you stay alert when collecting or dropping off your child and keep your distance. Please queue up 2m apart in your class bubble.

Times: Remember to speak to your teacher if there is a problem with times at the infant school. We are very flexible and it won't be a problem if they are early or late. Either call the school and leave a message for the teacher or email your teacher directly.

Year 3 start time is 8:45am 2 (near the bus stop)	End time 3 pm @ Gate 1 (Main Gate) Miss Williams' class will be at gate
Year 4 start time is 8:45am	End time 3 pm @ Gate 3 (Sports Zone/Cage)
Year 5 start time is 9 am	End time 3:15 pm @ Gate 1 (Main Gate)
Year 6 start time is 9 am	End time 3:15 pm @ Gate 3 (Sports Zone/Cage)

One parent/adult to drop off at the gate and pick up from the gate.

Face Covering: Please wear a face covering whilst waiting and we also ask that you keep to your times. (Children do not wear a face covering) Look out for the signs showing where to queue. Please also wear a face covering if coming into the office.

Communication: I hope you have found the regular communication helpful and I do ask you to follow us on Facebook and/or Twitter. If you do not have either, I would strongly recommend you sign up even if only to follow SJS!

Rapid Flow Testing: Rapid Flow Tests, also known as LFD tests, are now being offered to adults with school aged children. School staff already do this twice a week. This is another layer of safety. Please see the government guidance on how to get them. The school **DOES NOT** provide them. You can collect or have them delivered.

Social Distancing of children: Children will not need to social distance within their bubble however we will be encouraging staying at their own table as much as possible.

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Behaviour: If your child's behaviour becomes challenging as well as unsafe including spitting, deliberately coughing or running out of the class bubble, they may need to be sent home. We have had to slightly adapt our behaviour policy. I am sure we will not have a problem however we will still need your full support on this.

Lunch: Children will have lunch in their classrooms. They may bring a lunch box. Year 3 & 6 hot dinners will be in the hall with year 4 & 5 hot dinners being eaten in the classroom. This is because we cannot fit all the children in the hall safely following the guidance.

Bags & belongings: Children to limit their belongings to as little as possible. All stationary will be provided by the school therefore they will NOT need a pencil case.

No scooter or bikes please. Please speak to your teacher should this be a problem.

PE: Children MUST please wear a PE kit to school on their PE days (a warmer kit in colder weather). Your teacher will let you know what day(s) that will be. *Please note that this might NOT be on PPA day.*

The library: Sadly the library will still be out of bounds however a plan is being put in place for children to be able to change their books.

After school clubs: Unfortunately we will not be offering clubs until after Easter when we will again look at infection rates.

Hand washing: Designated hand washing areas /sanitising stations have been identified for children to wash or sanitise their hands at various parts of the day. This will be a combination of soap and hand sanitising.

Toilets: Each class bubble will have a designated toilet block. Children will be encouraged to wait until it is free before entering.

Uniform: Children are expected to wear a school uniform. They must however change it or have it cleaned as often as needed. Children MUST please wear a PE kit to school on their PE days (a warmer kit in colder weather). Your teacher will let you know what day(s) that will be.

Symptoms: Please DO NOT send your child in if ANYONE in the household is showing any symptoms.

Dress Down Friday: Finally, we will continue with Dress Down Friday until Easter.

Take care & keep safe.

Rob Jones

Headteacher