



Headteacher: Mrs Stav Stavrinou

Monday 10th January 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year to you all!

I hope this finds you in good health and that you have managed a good festive break with family and friends.

It was a great disappointment that we had not reached the end of last term without the normal festive events taking place. We were in the fortunate position however, not to have had to close the school at an earlier time as some schools had to.

Apart from welcoming you into the New Year, I also wanted to update you on some important information regarding the most recent safety measures, medical alerts and new governance.

COVID Guidelines:

Since the end of term, there have been new government guidelines regarding safety measures of **COVID 19** in schools and we continue to adhere to national and local Health teams' advice.

Due to the new 'omicron' variant some changes have been made and we continue to maintain our staggered starts and finishes to the day as well as our staggered playtimes and lunchtimes.

For primary school aged children, the current expectation continues to be that if children come into close contact with a new COVID case, they continue to come into school. In cases where we have had children tested positive in class, we will ask that you carry out lateral flow tests. You will be notified in more detail by a letter from the school.

In case your child is living with someone who has tested positive, you must administer a PCR test while they continue to attend school as well as take a Lateral Flow test on a daily basis for 7 days. If they display any COVID symptoms they must isolate while taking a PCR test.

If there are any positive cases identified, all children within the class will be advised to take an LFD test as soon as possible. If your child tests positive please inform the school immediately and isolate your child for 7 days, as mentioned above.



Attendance continues to be mandatory for all school children unless children are unwell and they are having to isolate.

For any further updates, please check link below:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak/step-4-update-what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges>

New Medical Tracker:

We are pleased to announce that we are introducing an online reporting system alerting parents to any injuries and accidents by email or text. We always strive to keep our school environment safe and secure but accidents do happen and in such cases we want you to be made aware as swiftly as possible. If you have any queries or are experiencing problems with the system, please let the front office know.

Parent Governors Ballot papers

Last week we sent out ballot papers outlining the details of our prospective candidates and their reasons for wanting to act as governors in our school. We want to ensure that through the election process, our parents' and carers' voices are fully represented. You would have received an electronic ballot paper, so please take this opportunity to make your vote count in electing our new parent governors.

We will keep you updated with any new information and upcoming events.

I hope you have a wonderful start to the new term.

Thank you for your continued support and co-operation.

Best Wishes,

Mrs Stav
Headteacher