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FOREFIELD MATTERS

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Welcome Back!

A very warm welcome to everyone (and all our new children and parents) at the start of the 2021-22 academic year. It has been lovely to see such excited, enthusiastic children starting back in their new uniforms and shiny shoes! A two-day week has helped to ease everyone back into the swing of things – but it may take a little longer to get used to new routines.

Although the latest government guidance has removed previous restrictions, I hope you will be reassured to know that we have put the following procedures in place:

- We will continue to place great importance on handwashing and the use of sanitiser throughout the day.
- All classrooms and corridors have good ventilation.
- Additional cleaning routines remain in place.
- Children will be encouraged to use the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' strategy when using tissues.
- Any adult or child displaying symptoms of Coronavirus will not be allowed into school and parents will be asked to collect children who develop symptoms during the school day.
- Rotas and timetables have been carefully designed to ensure that only one year group is using the playground or lunch hall at any time.

Following the removal of staggered start/finish times it would be much appreciated if you could help us by:

- Making full use of our extensive playground to wait rather than congregating in one area.
- In the mornings, doors open at 8:45 to allow children to enter in time for registration at 8:55. This 10 minute window should allow a flow rather than a surge! Staff are on each door to welcome children in.
- At home time, please limit the number of people collecting each child.
 Waiting behind the line of cones will make it easier for children to
 identify who is picking them up. Older pupils may make arrangements
 to meet a parent in the red or blue zone. Children know not to leave
 the school site if they can't see an adult and to return to a member of
 staff.
- Please comply with our request to **not** bring dogs onto the playground.

It will be busy – especially at the start of the year when we are establishing new systems but we will monitor and make further changes if necessary. Thank you, in anticipation of your support.