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Job Vacancy:

We are currently recruiting for an administrative assistant in our school office. Full details are on the school website.

FOREFIELD MATTERS

17th September 2021

Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

Hopefully by now you have had the chance to read the letter from Ofsted following their Section 8 visit in July. If not, you will find it on our website along with any updates to Covid advice/restrictions.

Locally, you will be aware of positive cases in our community – involving families at Forefield Infants and Chesterfield High School as well as FJS. The latest government guidance – in place since August – advises that any adult that has received both doses of the vaccine and any child under 18 years 6 months does not have to self-isolate if they have come into contact with a positive case. This sits alongside guidance that social distancing, class bubbles and staggered timings no longer have to be implemented.

This is very different from the guidance we have been following in previous years and although the aim is to stop further disruption to children's education, you will appreciate that this presents us with some difficult decisions.

We are not medically trained and so we will continue to contact parents and ask them to collect any pupil who has symptoms or feels unwell. Thank you to all the families who have already collected pupils and arranged for a PCR test to take place.

In addition, if there are several positive cases identified within one year group we will take steps to reduce the number of potential contacts by:

- Not holding year group assemblies
- Not mixing classes for lessons/lunchtimes

On a more positive note and following on from last week's newsletter we are looking forward to resuming after school clubs next week. The 3:30 finish time enables us to hold each club until 4:30. Active Sports will be running multisports sessions Monday to Thursday and there will be letters about Active Kids, Third Space Learning, Limelight drama club and judo in the coming weeks. Active Sports will dismiss pupils from the main entrance at 4:30pm.

Immunisation against Flu

All pupils whose parents have given consent will receive their flu immunization (via nasal spray) on the 16th November and we have made arrangements for all of our staff to receive the flu vaccination too.

Let's hope we have some more sunshine over the weekend, Take care P A Swift