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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to the vast majority of our parents who have actively supported our bio security measures to ensure that we are a COVID secure space.

Just to reiterate; if as a school, we ask you to wait in a designated area of the playground, or only arrive at your designated time, we are not trying to make life "awkward"; we are making our school safe. We are following all of the Government guidelines which are detailed and clear in outlining our responsibility to implement preventative measures to mitigate risk.

As part of this, if we call you to say that your child is potentially displaying COVID symptoms, we need you to arrange for your child to be collected straight away. We recognise how difficult this may be for families, to find childcare at such short notice for example, especially if you may personally think it is "just a common cold". However, we have a duty of care to all of our children and families and as such, any child displaying COVID symptoms, will be sent home to protect our school. We will inform you that your child will need to self-isolate for 10 days, with other household members self-isolating for 14 days, unless there has been a negative test result and your child is well enough to return to school. All of these measures are outlined in our re-opening action plan, which is displayed clearly on our website.

Could we please take this opportunity to politely remind you, that my staff and I are doing all we can to ensure the safety of everyone in our school environment, we deserve to be treated in a polite and respectful manner; particularly when implementing the above measures. These are difficult times for everyone, but we will not make exceptions on the Government guidance above and as such we will continue to follow our protocols. We will do this in the continued hope that ALL parents will come to receive them graciously and with a measure of understanding.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'K Martin'.

Miss K Martin  
Head of School