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8<sup>th</sup> October 2021

Dear parents/guardians,

This letter may reach you a little later than usual, I apologise for this. We have been extremely busy this week coping with the challenges thrown at us by Covid 19. Thank you for your patience.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the school staff, we are extremely lucky to have such a great team, who have been very flexible and have gone above and beyond this week.

We will continue to try to educate our children and keep them safe, please bear with us if we have to make changes to the following few weeks' plans.

### Face Masks

I have been asked by several parents if their child can wear face masks in school. Parents are understandably concerned especially if their children have medical issues. We have contacted The Outbreak and Contact Tracing Hub Manager and have just received this reply:

*Face coverings for children in primary schools has never been recommended. Part of the reason for this is being able to wear them in a safe manner such as, cleaning hands before and after touching face, how to safely remove and store them and not touching face coverings.*

*If a face covering has been recommended by a medical or health professional, then we would not over ride that decision.*

*I understand that parents will be concerned about increased cases in the setting and you are already following advice recommend in line with the*

*government's contingency framework. These control measures will assist in reducing transmission.*

### Punctuality

May I remind you that registration is at 9am and the school day begins at that time. We are still experiencing quite a large number of late arrivals and this can cause distress to the child and disruption to the child's day.

### Traffic

Two very concerning incidents have happened this week at the entrance to the KS2 building on Delamere Ave. A car has reversed into the school grounds to turn around and has just missed hitting a child. I cannot be sure if this was the same car, but it affected two children at two different times of the day.

Please do not reverse into school – I am trying to ensure that the turning point at the end of Delamere Ave is kept clear so that cars can turn safely there.

### Our Outstanding Children

Reissio and Sienna, two of our very talented children are currently starring in a series of adverts. Follow the link below to watch them and their parents in action -

<https://www.facebook.com/259244660777075/posts/4798923663475796/>

Don't forget to send me any pictures or links to any of the outstanding activities your children take part in.

### Remote Learning – TEAMS

All children should now have received their log in details for Microsoft TEAMS. This is to be used in order for teachers to keep in touch with their pupils and to set work when required. If you are experiencing any difficulties with logging on, please contact Mrs Whittaker or the school office.

### Cashless School

Please use our ParentPay system to make any payments to school. We aim to be a cashless school so please contact the office if you are having any problems

using ParentPay. Please be assured this system is a safe and secure way of making payments and you will have a receipt of all monies paid.

Class 11 assembly

Due to the current situation, unfortunately we are not able to invite parents in to school to see the Class 11 assembly on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> October. Further details to follow.

Dates for next week

<u>Week 7</u>	
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> Oct	
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Archery 12:30pm -1:15pm
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Harvest KS1 2pm
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Gauntlet Birds of Prey visit KS1 and EYFS
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Cl 11 Assembly 9:15am
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Holy Communion 10:30am

Thank you for your continued support,

Mrs Noctor

