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**Head of School
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Dear Parents, Carers and School Staff,

I would like to thank you for your support making the school as safe as possible. These have been incredibly challenging times and with your help, we have managed to maintain a school that is as safe as possible, yet operate in a way that is as normal as possible.

The children have been exceptional in the way they have worked since returning to school, I am immensely proud at how well they have bounced back and got on with their learning as if nothing has happened.

I feel that we are probably entering the most challenging phase yet. As the weather gets colder, Christmas approaches, and the possibility of a vaccine gets closer there is the opportunity to *“let our guard down”*.

At this point I ask every one of you to stick to the rules to help protect our school community. There are a few areas that have been brought to my attention that I would like to share with you all.

There are a number of families that are not social distancing when on or around the school premises. To protect each other, it is essential that you maintain 2 metres between each family group. It is important that you keep your children with you and do not allow them to get close to other family groups. Once you have dropped off or collected your child, it is important you leave the school premises promptly.

There are a number of families arriving earlier than they should. Families should not arrive at the school before our drop off and pick up times.

- Earliest drop off time 8.45am (unless they are in Breakfast Club)
- Earliest pick up time 3.00pm

If families arrive earlier than these times, this creates a build-up of people that makes social distancing difficult. Spreading drop off and pick-up over a fifteen-minute time period should allow parents to keep distanced and not require any families to be waiting long to drop off or collect their children.

In addition to this, the car park is closed to vehicles at 8.45am and then again at 3.00pm to protect families walking through it. If families are arriving early, this puts them in a dangerous situation as there is the chance of cars still driving through the car park at this time. So please don't enter this area until 8.45am in the morning or 3.00pm in the afternoon.

Finally, it is also important children **arrive in school by 9am and are collected by 3.20pm** (unless they are attending ChillDen). If children are arriving late, this is causing congestion in the office area, and can often mean children from different bubbles are mixing. Additionally, children will miss the important first part of the day's lessons. Children collected late wait on the KS2 playground, as staff are not available to wait with them in the classroom. Any children collected late will be mixing with children from other bubbles, which is something that we are trying to avoid.

Many thanks for your continued support, in continuing to keep the school community as safe as we can.

Kind regards,

Stephen Warrell

Head of School