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<u>Letter 2</u> Friday 11th September 2020 Dear Parents/Guardian,

NEXT WEEK AT SCHOOL

Monday 14 th September	
Tuesday 15 th September	
Wednesday 16 th September	
Thursday 17 th September	
Friday 18 th September	1.15pm Class 3 football skills with James Lofthouse - Outside PE kit to be worn all day please.

Please may I remind you to phone us if your child is absent so we know why they are absent and send a letter or email to school as soon as your child has returned to school, dated, explaining their absence for us to keep as a record at school.

SCHOOL NOTICES

WELCOME BACK

It is lovely to have all our children at school and I particularly give a warm welcome to all our new families. Thank you for following our different routines, we are getting there with what works and what doesn't. The children have settled well at school but are very tired by the end of the week, as are staff!

GOVERNMENT GUIDANCE

We are constantly keeping a check on the government guidance and doing everything we can in school to prevent the spread of infection. Please do adhere to the rules outside of school to help keep our children and staff safe. The latest being about gatherings inside/outside of no more than 6 people as of Monday.

PARKING OUTSIDE SCHOOL

Please may I remind you not to park on the yellow zig zag lines outside school.

ATTENDANCE INFORMATION SHEET

Please see the attached sheet sent tonight regarding attendance and COVID-19. I was given this by another school and thought it was very useful. You may wish to print it off in case you need to refer to it in the future. We need to know straight away of possible cases and positive cases so we can act accordingly. Please only send your child to school if they are well. If unsure in any way, please phone school.

HOME LEARNING

As we plan for the eventuality of school having to close or a class bubble/family having to self-isolate, we are looking at ways to improve how we continue teaching the curriculum. Next week I intend to send a link to a questionnaire to get an idea of the IT access you each have.

CHANGES TO SOME ROUTINES TO HELP IMPROVE SYSTEMS

Class 2 (Year2/3 Mrs Link)

I am changing the end of day collection time to 3.25pm for this class so that parents who also have children in class 3 (years 4/5/6) can get to the class 3 waiting area to collect the oldest child. If you have a child in preschool/class 1 as well as class 2 please continue to collect children at the earlier time.

Class 3 Parents (years 4/5/6)

Thank you for changing to waiting only in the small car park and grassed areas next to the kids club porta cabin, it has certainly worked better the last 2 days. Please keep the main paths clear and the hedge side inside the car park so we can get everyone out 2m distanced.

<u>Drop off/Collection - Number of adults</u>

From Monday we must go back to **one adult** dropping off/collecting please on the school premises, to minimise the number of people on school grounds to whom infection could be spread.

REMINDERS

Bags

Please can I remind you that children should not be bringing big bags to school. Small bags, ideally book bags only please for reading books/homework and then carry water bottles and coats separately. This is to ensure we minimise the number of things coming between school and home. No toys/pencil cases etc being brought in.

Hand Gel

Please do not send children with their own small bottles of hand gel due to health and safety. We have large containers of hand gel and children alternate between gel and handwashing at a sink. They are supervised using hand gel, to prevent any child trying to drink it.

Mid-morning Snacks

Children often get quite hungry on a morning. Children in preschool to year 2 get fruit as part of the free fruit scheme as a morning snack. If your child would like a snack, it is fresh fruit only and please make sure grapes are cut in half.

Reading Books

Huge thanks to FASS and all our parents for fundraising to get some wonderful new books which our children will be bringing home to read. We encourage all our children to read with an adult at least 3 times a week at home and that you write when they have read in the home/school planner.

When a child has finished reading their book and it is returned to school, it will be placed in a box for a time of quarantine before another child can take it home. Our aim is that all our children develop a love for reading to eventually become independent readers.

PRESCHOOL PARENTS

I am including the weekly preschool message from Tracy within this school letter as some of my messages may be relevant to pre-school parents, particularly regarding COVID-19.

Hi Everyone

We would like to welcome you all back to preschool it seems a long time since we have seen all the children and they have all settled really well. We hope you all had a lovely summer and you managed to get some quality time with your children. It feels very strange for us not to be able to let you enter Preschool classroom, but if you need to talk to us please ask and we will get all the children in and then come back out to you.

We now have Fiona Crusher and Helen Brown joining us in the afternoons working with the children.

This half term, our topic is 'People who help us'. This week, our children have made some Fire engines from junk and have drawn pictures of mummy and daddy helping them at home. We have put these on our wall display. We have also been working on our numbers and phonics.

For those children staying for lunch, please send 1 savoury item e.g. sandwich or crackers, 1 dessert e.g. yoghurt or jelly, 1 piece of fruit cut up or dried fruit, 1 treat like crisps or biscuit this is so we are not handling food and sending it back if they do not eat it.

Please make sure you send your children with a coat every day, and wellies (if wet) as we spend a lot of time outside. If your children are unwell or you feel the need to give them Calpol then they should not be coming into Preschool in these uncertain

We hope you have a lovely weekend Tracy, Alison, Fiona C and Helen

OTHER SCHOOL ITEMS SENT HOME TONIGHT

Please remember to look at all the attachments attached to the school email to ensure you have all the information needed regarding school

Parent/carer attendance guidance - electronic only

Music instrument lessons- Reception to Year 6 - electronic only

Year 6 secondary school letter - electronic only

Yours sincerely

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