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1st October, 2021.

Dear Parents and Carers,

The weeks seem to have flown in and the cold and wet weather certainly makes it feel like proper autumn now! So please make sure your children are coming to school with coats - they are often reluctant to wear them, but it has been very cold and wet and we do want them to get as much fresh air as possible.

PARENTS' EVENING

Unfortunately, following advice and coming into line with other schools in our local consortium, we have decided to keep parents' evenings to phone calls only. We really want to have you back in school for this and for the celebratory occasions, but for this term, it still appears too risky. We have two children at present who have COVID and are isolating at home (they had not been in close contact with anyone in school in the two days prior to the positive test, so no one in school was affected), plus adults in the school community, and it is impossible to tell when the next case will happen and exactly where it came from. As you know, space is limited outside classes and it would be challenging to allow any sort of social distancing as you wait for an appointment. Mrs Stoiber will still meet parents and carers individually as and when needed for any special educational needs, and Miss Williams and I will invite parents and carers into school if we have any concerns or need to share something with you in a face to face meeting. Likewise, if you wish to meet us to discuss any concerns, you are still welcome to book an appointment, and we will meet you in a socially distanced space in school.

HARVEST COLLECTION

Again, our usual Year 5 harvest assembly will not take place this term, but as soon as it is safer to do so, we hope to invite year 5 parents and carers to an assembly later in the year. We are of course, still going to collect donations of cans, bottle and packet food to contribute to the Spearhead Trust and Year 5



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will be involved in the presentation of this to the Farmhouse at the end of half term. We would welcome any donations from you. Could you please check the sell by dates on the food before you send them in – even the driest food gives up at some point! Thank you in advance.

OPEN DAY FOR RECEPTION 2022

Another tricky one, but hopefully we have a solution. As many of you will know, we usually invite prospective parents and carers into school in the first week in November to have a look round during the school day. This year we will run it differently. We are going to ask parents and carers to contact the school and book a slot after school - 4.30 pm on, 4th, 5th or 6th November. We will have a maximum number of 10, and will show the groups around the school in two separate groups. There will also be a socially distanced meeting in the hall in which I can take any general questions. We will advertise this on the website and put a notice on the gates as well.

WATER BOTTLES

Thank you to the vast majority of you who are sending in water bottles. There are still some children without, and this needs to be addressed next week. Please make sure the bottle is labelled and in school. It can be taken home or left in class, but it is essential that every child has a named water bottle.

COVID

Thank you for continuing to be cautious by keeping children at home and getting them tested if they have symptoms of COVID. We are welcoming two more cleaners to the staff in the next week - Ms Faulkner and Ms Inett, and will continue to have enhanced cleaning regimes throughout school.

Unfortunately, we still cannot have birthday sweets in school due to the need to sanitise and store. If you want your child to donate a book instead – new or second-hand, to their class library, they will have a dedication label added to it for their birthday.



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PLASTIC BOTTLE TOPS

We are still collecting these and are short of yellow, pink and lime green for a new collage for the quad. Please send in with the children if you get a chance, or drop in the boxes at the entrances from Monday.

That's it for now, so have an enjoyable and safe weekend and we look forward to seeing you again on Monday.

Kind regards,

Barbara Butterworth