



4th January 2021

Happy New Year

Dear Parents & Carers,

I hope you have had a restful break and have managed to spend some time with your families. With the news of further tier restrictions, it has not been an easy time, and we all hope to get back to some sort of normality soon.

You will have seen in the news that primary schools will return as planned and therefore we will be open to all our pupils from Tuesday 5th January. Government guidance is changing all the time so please watch out for emails from school so that we can communicate any developments with you. Please ensure you follow social distancing when bringing your child to school and when collecting.

With increasing COVID-19 number and also with new strains of the virus we ask that you are vigilant in following our guidance:

- Maintain a **2m distance** from others
- All adults to wear a **face covering** when dropping off and collecting children
- Only **one** adult to enter the school grounds from each family (to limit numbers)

Please do not arrive before the gates are opened at 8.30am and at 3pm to avoid groups gathering. The school doors will be open from 8.30am and children can enter straight away to avoid waiting outside. The school will continue to be well **ventilated** so please send you child in appropriate **warm** clothing each day.

You will soon receive a Microsoft Form to complete regarding Critical Workers needing a school place, in the case of a school closure. This is simply for us to make a contingency plan in the first instance.

Please continue to inform school if your child needs to self-isolate. We will provide remote learning in the case of children self-isolating, please contact the school office if you struggle to access it. If your child is displaying any COVID-19 symptoms, please do not send them to school until they have had a test. The symptoms are:

- A new continuous cough
- A high temperature
- A loss or change in normal sense of taste/smell

If any member of the household is waiting for a test result, please do not send any children from your household to school until the result is known.

I would like to thank you for your continued support throughout this pandemic. We have been very lucky with very low numbers of positive cases in the Autumn Term. I will continue to communicate with you if there are any changes or updates. I wish you all a very happy and healthy new year. Let's hope 2021 brings us better news.

Yours sincerely

Mrs J Andrews
Headteacher