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Dear Parent/ Carer

It is really pleasing to reach the end of this term, not having to have closed any 'bubbles' in school. I would like to thank you for adhering to the measures put in place at school, in order to keep our community safe.

#### Covid-19 measures

As we enter into the colder months, during Term 2, the rate of transmission is likely to be higher and we will need to continue with our measures in order to keep our school and individual bubbles open. These will include the following measures:

- Only one adult on the school grounds at drop off or pick up time
- Limiting the items that travel between home and school. (No large Rucksacks)
- Adhering to the social distancing measures on the school playground and at the front of the school.

The full information sheet can be found on our website.

During the damper, colder weather the taped markings on the playgrounds are not working effectively. These will be replaced with white painted dots, spaced 2m apart.

#### P.E. Kits

Children will need to continue to wear their P.E. kits to school on the days that have been allocated for their year groups. Their P.E. kit is still a uniform. Children should wear a t-shirt, the colour of their House and either black or grey joggers. Children's school jumpers should be worn over the top of this.

#### Hot Dinners

We are trialing a return to hot dinners from Term 2. I will need to arrange for 7 different sittings. The eating time in the Pod for each year group, will need to be limited to 15- 20 minutes.

#### After School Club

Big A will begin to provide and manage a limited after school care. The details of this will be attached with this Parent mail. This will restart on 9<sup>th</sup> November.

#### Hand Cream

With the increased level of handwashing I know that this can cause hands to become dry. I know that some of you have asked about the possibility of providing different soap and hand cream. As you can appreciate there are 30 children in most of our classes. The space on the desks are limited

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and the areas by the sinks are limited too. We will do our best to accommodate this but this will need to be reviewed regularly.

### Remembrance

The school would like to create a display of poppies outside the front of the building in the month of November. Please could you provide your child with the bottom of a plastic bottle (already cut and washed) next week.



### Vacancy

We do currently have a vacancy for an MDSA. The advert will be live on eTeach by the start of next week.

### Smart Watches

If children are wearing smart watches to school that connect to a phone, they will need to be handed into the office each morning, under the same safeguarding procedure for mobile phones. They will be returned to your child at the end of each day.

### Teacher Development Days

We have three development days coming up. The school will be closed to children on the following days: 21<sup>st</sup> October, 2<sup>nd</sup> November and 3<sup>rd</sup> November

### Microsoft Teams - Yr2 -6

Hopefully your child will have received an email address and a password. Please let us know if you are experiencing any issues with these. We aim to get them all running smoothly by the end of term. Homework will be provided in this way in Term 2. This will also be the way in which we will deliver Remote Learning, if any school closures relating to Covid-19, are required.

### Tapestry - Reception and Year 1

For our parents of children in the Reception class and Year 1, this will be delivered through Tapestry. Parents of Year 1 children should already have a log in from last year and Reception parents should receive a notification today.

### Secondary School Places

The deadline for parents of children in Year 6 for submitting your application to Swindon Borough is 31<sup>st</sup> October.

We break up on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> October. We wish you all a lovely Half Term.

Yours Sincerely  
Mrs Warburton