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## Dear Parents/Carers,

Over the weekend we have been notified of a further 3 children (across both classes) and a member of staff, who have tested positive for Covid-19 following positive PCR tests. If your child/children develop any symptoms, please carry out a lateral flow test and PCR if necessary. We will be contacting parents of any child at school who is displaying Covid symptoms and asking that their child is tested, before returning to school.

We have contacted Public Health England today and have sent out the most up-todate guidance from them to you this morning by email.

This letter will outline the immediate changes we are making as from today (15/11/2021) to ensure that our children and staff are safe.

- We will not be having parents/carers on site. However, if you do need to speak to your child's class teacher, please phone the school to arrange an appointment.
- We ask that reception parents leave their child at the front entrance and will no longer be invited to come into school.
- Unfortunately, we will be postponing our Book & Biscuit mornings until further notice.
- Celebration Assemblies will happen each Friday as normal with the children. However, we are unable to invite parents to join us until further notice.
- Classes will return to 'bubbles' with designated eating arrangements, playtime areas and separate toilets.
- Handwashing and hygiene will remain a priority as it always has been.
- The classrooms and school will be well ventilated with windows and doors
  open as it also has been. Now that the weathers getting colder, can you please
  ensure that your child has a school jumper and coat in school every day.

We are as staff really saddened that we must restrict the number of people coming into the building, but the safety of our children and staff is paramount. We will keep you regularly updated with any changes.

Many thanks for your continual support on this matter.

Mrs Cook

Principal.