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Dear Parents and Carers

I hope this letter finds you safe and well at what has been an extremely busy and slightly different start to the new academic year. We were delighted to see so many pupils return to school and I am pleased to report that attendance has been at a good level. Both staff and pupils have adapted well to the new routines, despite the occasional challenge of working in bubbles which is a required part of the 'new normal' way of working.

You may well have seen or heard our Prime Minister address the nation on Tuesday; in which he unveiled new guidance around the rules in our wider society. This does of course raise concerns for us all. However, we will continue to evolve our practice and work with all pupils to understand how to continue to keep safe. It is likely that we will be following the current pattern of delivering learning throughout the Autumn Term, and beyond, until wider guidance allows for a return to more normal operations.

Our leadership group meet regularly and we continue to work up contingency plans, should there be disruption to learning on the school site. Our risk assessment is updated to reflect any updates. If you wish to familiarise yourself with the framework of what we are working with, please visit the flowchart on our website. You can access this quickly through the pop up message when you first log on.

To support us, please follow the government guidelines and DO NOT send your son or daughter into school should they have any of the following symptoms:

- **A high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature to tell)
- **A new continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough it may be more than usual)
- **A loss or change to you sense of smell or taste** – this means you have noticed you cannot smell or taste anything or things smell or taste different to normal.

Please remember to keep the **2m distance between families**, especially at the gates and wear a face covering around others.

In the event of changes to our current pattern of learning and a return to remote learning, pupils will need to access their learning remotely. The link attached to this letter will enable us to plan for this if it happens.

Here is the link to the survey: <https://forms.gle/j61DDwnxtkNge7uDA> kindly return your answers by **Wednesday the 30th of September**.



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We will continue to keep in contact with parents and carers via email as and when we hear any changes. Our October newsletter will follow very soon. Please look out for it.

Many thanks for your partnership.

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs Ann Pratt – Headteacher.



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