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Headteacher: Mr Martin Fallon

**Dear Parents** 

# Covid update

As you are aware we were forced to close a class bubble last week. We are counting down the time before all the members can return to school. I am pleased to say that everyone is doing well and most are looking forward to coming back.

I do not really need to tell you but this would appear to be the world we are all going to be living in for the foreseeable future. I'm certain I have said this before, but I don't like it, it is scary! We all need to work hard to keep each other safe. I do appreciate your support and thank you once again for the kindness you have shown the school during this time. Below is some guidance from the government about what action to take if somebody develops symptoms. Please be aware that this includes before they have taken a test. It is essential everybody follows this guidance as it will protect our community.

# If you live with someone with COVID-19 symptoms or a positive test result - Stay at home!

Stay at home for 14 days. This is because you may have been exposed to the virus and could pass it on to others, even if you don't have symptoms. Do not leave your home unless in certain circumstances, and only exercise within your home, garden or private outdoor space.

Your 14-day isolation period starts from the day when the first person in your household developed symptoms. If you are isolating because someone in your house has had a positive test result but does not have symptoms, your 14-day period starts from the day their test was taken.

If for any reason you have a negative test result during your 14-day isolation period, this does not mean you can stop isolating. Even if you don't have symptoms, you could still pass the infection on to others. Stay at home for the full 14 days to avoid putting others at risk.

If you are identified as a contact and told to self-isolate by NHS Test and Trace, you have a legal duty to self-isolate. Failure to comply may result in a fine, starting from £1,000. Parents or guardians are legally responsible for ensuring that anyone under 18 self-isolates if they test positive for COVID-19 and are contacted by NHS Test and Trace and told to self-isolate.

### Parent Consultation

Thank you to those who have signed up for our virtual parent consultation. Below are the instructions you will need to follow in order to meet your child's teacher on zoom:

On the day of your appointment, you will receive the Zoom link via ParentMail. The link will also be available on the stream of your child's Google Classroom. Ensure your Zoom username identifies your child (E.g Bob Allott or Bob A's mum).













Join the meeting just prior to your appointment - you will be in a virtual waiting room - bear with us at this point. We will know you are there, but may be bringing to an end the appointment before you and will let you join as soon as we can.

Anyone requesting a phone call; class teachers will contact you separately to arrange these.

What you should expect during the meeting:

- A discussion around how your child is settling back into school life
- How your child is progressing in their learning
- Any concerns regarding your child's learning
- What your child's teacher is putting in place to support your child
- Next steps

SEN reviews are taking place during the day on 21 and 22 October. Invites for these have been sent through ParentMail. If your child has an SEN review, this will be in place of a parent's evening appointment.

# **MPG Christmas Card Project**

Designs for the Christmas card project can still be brought to school and placed in the red post box (which is in the main entrance) up until Thursday 22 October. This deadline has been extended due to some children within school currently self-isolating, any designs returned after this date will not be able to be included.

We are grateful as ever to MPG for all of their support, especially in the current climate which makes raising funds particularly difficult. This term alone, MPG have gifted all pupils in Foundation with a book bag, the whole school have received a sweet treat as a random act of kindness linked to World Mental Health day and after half term, Year 5 are having an Anglo Saxon experience which has been funded by MPG. If you are able to support MPG or wish to find out more about how school benefits, contact them at mpg@mosborough.sheffield.sch.uk

With Christmas less than 100 days away and lots of us making use of online shopping, there's a way that you can help MPG raise funds by just making one change. If you shop via Amazon, don't forget to register for AmazonSmile and a donation will be made to MPG every time you shop (at no additional cost to you!). For more information on how to register visit <u>https://amzn.to/2Fxq2ZZ</u> and search for Mosborough Primary Group. Once your account is set up to our school's Amazon Smile, you don't need to do anything else!

### Children's Hospital Snowflake Appeal

We were delighted to receive a plaque In recognition of us supporting the Children's Hospital Charity last year by fundraising for an illuminated snowflake on the walls of the hospital. The appeal raised £335,000!

Raising funds for this year's appeal will be one of the first tasks of our newly elected Pupil Parliament - they'll be writing to tell you more very soon.





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# Music lessons in school

We are all missing our weekly visits from Mr Bartholomew and Mr Martin and we know the children are too. Unfortunately, for the moment, all paid-for music lessons will continue to be delivered virtually as we don't have a room that complies with Sheffield Music Hub's risk assessment. We are in regular contact with both Ben and Nigel and know that they are both as keen as ever to support us in our musical endeavours. We hope to see them 'in real life' as soon as we possibly can.

### Face masks on site

We have had many parents contact us regarding the wearing of face masks on site. Can we politely request that everyone who is able to should wear a mask on site.

### **Term Dates**

Next Friday 23 October is a whole school closure day for all pupils

Term 1 ends on Thursday 22 October

Term 2 begins on Monday 2 November

Term 2 ends on Friday 18 December

Kind regards, Martin & Genaya











