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Dear Parents/Guardians,

We have reached the end of what has been an extraordinary term in many ways and it's been a relief not to have had to isolate whole bubbles since the return on 8<sup>th</sup> March. The latest guidance is unchanged for the beginning of next term in that the measures we currently have in place – i.e. separate class bubbles, focus on hand and respiratory hygiene, extra cleaning, separate start and finish times etc. will remain in place.

Schools are being asked to continue to play a role in contact tracing staff and pupils over the start of the Easter holidays, since the contact tracing extends back 2 days before a person develops symptoms. In practice, this means that your child could still be asked to self-isolate if we receive news of a child/staff member developing symptoms at any time up to midnight on Saturday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, who then goes on to test positive.

Please note the following:

- **Until midnight on Saturday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>** If your child develops Coronavirus symptoms (or tests positive with an LFD test), please inform the school as soon as you can, using the email address ([admin@waverton.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:admin@waverton.cheshire.sch.uk)) and book a full test (PCR) immediately. Please then let us know the result of the test, using the same email address.

- We may need to contact year groups and ask them to self-isolate for 10 days in the event of a positive test. The timing of this will depend upon how quickly any test results are returned. Most results are returned within 48 hours so in theory the latest you would hear about the need to self-isolate would be Monday 5<sup>th</sup> April. *If we haven't received any news of symptomatic cases we will inform everyone by email on the morning of Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> April (so at least everyone can relax.)*

- **After midnight on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> April** do not contact the school if your child develops Coronavirus symptoms (or tests positive with an LFD test) but book a PCR test as normal and follow any instructions from Test & Trace that you may receive.

- **From Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup>:** please follow the normal guidance – do not attend school if your child or anyone in your household or support bubble has symptoms of Coronavirus (or tests positive with an LFD test) and let us know of this as soon as possible about the outcome of the result of any tests.

### **Online Safety**

Please see the separate attachment about apps Omegle and Discord, the first of which has been highlighted recently but is still a cause for concern. It is another reminder of the importance of knowing what apps/websites children are accessing.

## Smart watches

It has been brought to my attention that some children are wearing smart watches to school which have the ability to take photos and send messages. Please can you ensure that your children do not bring these devices into school.

## Residential trips

If the current government roadmap continues then from the 17th May, potentially, domestic residential trips for schools will be possible. An email was sent out yesterday to pupils in year 4 with details of a potential trip. We are also waiting to hear back about a date for a trip for year 6 pupils to the Conway Centre. I will write to year 6 parents with more details as soon as I get them.

## School Lunches

Our catering providers Dolce have informed us that the cost of a school lunch will increase on the 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021 from £2.20 to £2.25.

The next half term menu is now available to pre-order – 19<sup>th</sup> April – 28<sup>th</sup> May. **Please do not pre-order meals for after the 28<sup>th</sup> May as although they may be showing they have not yet had the changes requested made to them.**

On the 20<sup>th</sup> May there will be a special “The Road to Euro 2021” Menu – copy of menu attached. Just pre-order in the normal way.

## Easter Break

During the first week of the Easter break the school will be hosting a holiday activity club, between the hours of 9am-4pm. You should have received information directly from CEPD about the arrangements if you have made a booking. Please contact CEPD on: 07427931938 or email: [Enquiry.cepd@gmail.com](mailto:Enquiry.cepd@gmail.com) if you have any queries.

There will also be contractors on site working in the year 1 area and in the 2<sup>nd</sup> week we will have tree surgeons doing some remedial work on the trees around the school.

## “AmaSing” Arts workshop Day

On Friday 7<sup>th</sup> May we are going to host an “arts” workshop with “AmaSing” In their bubbles the children will collaborate with 4 arts specialists, enjoying exploring arts in drumming, singing, music and dance in the AmaSing Spiderdome, which will be erected on the school field. It promises to be an exciting day.

I hope that you all manage to enjoy a restful Easter break and that, with some of the restrictions being lifted, you enjoy catching up with family and friends (obviously within the new rules!). Thank you all for your continued support during the most challenging times. It has been a real pleasure to see, (and hear!) all the children back in school once again (despite the April Fool’s jokes this morning which involved Tottenham Hotspur posters stuck to the walls in my office. There is nothing worse for an Arsenal fan!). We look forward to seeing the children return safe and well after the Easter break and hope that if things move in the right direction then the opportunities will widen for everyone.

Yours sincerely,

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Head Teacher