



Monday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Many thanks for reading the ongoing information and following the procedures we have to put in place during this time-having supportive parents has made this challenging time much easier.

### Attendance:

Attendance this term so far has been excellent. 98% of our children have been attending school each day which is above National average. Many children have suffered with the usual autumn cold but have forgotten all about it once in school. Please continue to send your child to school if they have a mild cold or sore throat, we will look after them and if they are poorly we will ring you.

If your child does develop Covid-19 symptoms then you will need to book a test. A helpful flowchart is on our website to check if they **need** one. I appreciate how hard it has been to get a Covid-19 test if your child has had symptoms. Thank you for your perseverance with this. I am pleased to say, 38 tests have been completed so far and all have been **negative**.

Please note-if your child is off school with Covid-19 symptoms and is awaiting a test result, work **will not be provided** as the child is ill and will be resting.

Work **will be provided** if the child is self isolating because a member of their family has the virus. This is because the child is not ill and can access the work.

### What happens if there is a confirmed case in school?

In the event of a confirmed test in school. We will contact Public Health England to seek advice. If a class bubble needs to self-isolate, we will contact you immediately and home online learning will resume via Purple Mash. All children have their Purple Mash log in which is in their diary and are accessing the site in school regularly.

We hope this will not be required and children will continue to attend school as normal. So far 3 million children have attended school this term and there have been 3 cases of Primary school children affected so far.

### Reading at home:

This year, we have set a challenge to read 4 times a week at home. Many thanks for spending the time to fit it in-it makes such a difference. If your child attends an after school activity and there is less time to read, they can access the daily lunchtime reading room in school which is staffed by teachers so they can get their stamp. We set this up last year so no children miss out on their reward if they would like to achieve it. We hope this helps you and your child.



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## Open evening:

We look forward to seeing you all in our socially distanced open evening on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> September. Please remember there will be no creche on this occasion. A telephone consultation can be arranged if you prefer.

## Magic Breakfast:

We continue to offer all children a bagel on entry to school if they are hungry. Look out for our Y6 bagel monitors to grab one.

## Harvest Festival:

Sadly this year we cannot invite you into school to celebrate Harvest. The children will continue to learn about the importance of this time around the world and celebrate with a special assembly. This year we will raise money to help communities with no running water. There will be a non school uniform day on **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October**-we ask each child to bring a £1 donation into school to contribute to the cause.

## Parent Questionnaires:

Many thanks for all your responses. We received 216 responses, the highest number we have ever had. Results were as follows:

100% of parents said their children were happy and safe in school

100% of parents said their children were well taught and made progress in school

99% of parents strongly agreed that behaviour is good and bullying is dealt with promptly.

99% of parents strongly agreed that communication was good and felt well supported during the Covid-19 partial school closure.

99% of parents would recommend the school to another parent.

It has been lovely to read so many positive comments and to know you think we are doing a good job at Welbeck. The staff work incredibly hard to make sure the very best education is delivered to all children in our school and will continue to do so.

Many thanks for your ongoing support.

Warm regards,

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