

17th September

2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

The return to school has gone very well and we are so impressed with the way the children have settled back to school and adapted to the new routines. They have shown maturity and understanding of the situation we all find ourselves in.

As you will have heard in the media, infection rates of Coronavirus continue to rise across the county. Having seen how the school has operated with all children back we have made the decision that we request, as of Monday 21st September, that parents and carers wear a face covering at drop off and pick up times. Members of staff who meet parents will also be wearing a face covering. There is no expectation that children wear a face covering, the guidance in relation to this still remains the same however should this change in the future we shall ensure we will keep you fully informed.

The reason for this is that we want to minimise the risk of transmitting Coronavirus in school, ensuring staff, parents and children are safe at all times.

We will obviously make exceptions for those parents who cannot wear them for medical reasons.

Public Health Officials are advising everyone to be vigilant in all day-to-day activities. It has been difficult for parents to maintain social distancing at school gates and by the introduction of face coverings, this further measure will help prevent the spread of Coronavirus.

The advice remains the same: ***keep your distance, get a test only if you have covid symptoms, wash your hands and wear a face***

covering where required. Parents and carers are asked to do everything they can to protect their families, friends and school staff.

Thank you for your continued trust and support.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T McQuade', written in a cursive style.

Mrs Tess McQuade
Assistant Head Teacher