

Wednesday 30th December



Dear Families

We hope that you are enjoying a pleasant festive break and that you all remain healthy, safe and well. Please accept our apologies for this short interruption to your time together, but we wanted to reassure you about our arrangements for the forthcoming term.

You will have heard on the news that as of midnight on Thursday 31st December, Devon will be entering Tier 3 restrictions. As a primary school in Tier 3 we will be opening as planned on Monday 4th January 2021. We are very pleased to be able to open and provide continuity in education which we wholeheartedly believe is in the best interests of all our children.

As yet, we have not received any updated guidelines from the Government so we will continue with the stringent measures that are already in place. Just to remind you of some of our key measures, they include:

- Children are to be kept in their bubbles, these bubbles will not mix.
- Frequent hand washing
- Increased cleaning - including cleaning of the toilets and touch points at lunchtime
- Staff to wear masks when not in their classroom/teaching and maintain social distancing
- Parents to wear masks at drop off and collection, whilst on the school site and maintain social distancing
- Any child who presents with any symptoms of the virus must not attend school and will need to isolate and take a test
- Any child who develops any symptoms of the virus during the school day must be collected immediately
- All rooms are well ventilated throughout the school day (Please remember to ensure that your child has enough layers to remain a comfortable temperature throughout the school day)

We hope that these measures will continue to reassure you. We will of course continue to communicate any updates from the Government as they arise. We have been fortunate so far to not have had to close any bubbles and hope that these measures will continue to minimise the risk of bubble closures.

We would like to wish you all a safe and Happy New Year and we look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Monday 4th January.

Best Wishes

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