

5<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

As I am sure you are aware Covid cases in our community are again rising. We have several cases now in school and as such are amending some of our procedures.

For the time being we will not be holding any whole school assemblies and face coverings are advised for both staff and parents in communal areas. The school will be well ventilated so please ensure your child has plenty of layers under their school uniform and that they bring a coat into school every day.

The following control measures have always been in place but the below serves as a reminder of what we still have in place and ensure we follow:

• **Symptoms awareness:**

Pupils or parents must not come into school if they have symptoms or have had a positive test result. Any person with symptoms must take a PCR test.

• **Hand hygiene:**

Frequent and thorough hand cleaning is regular practice. The school ensures that pupils clean their hands regularly with soap and water or hand sanitiser. Ensure sufficient and proportionate handwashing supplies and cleaning materials are available. Where a sink is not nearby, provide hand sanitiser in classrooms and other learning environments.

• **Respiratory hygiene:**

The 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach continues to be adhered to in school.

• **Cleaning:**

Areas and equipment are cleaned regularly with a particular focus on frequently touched surfaces.

• **Ventilation:**

The school will be well ventilated with windows and doors opened to create air flow.

• **Travel to school:**

If you are travelling on public transport the recommendation is to continue to wear a face covering.

**Further information:**

A parent leaflet from the government about returning to school and our most recent risk assessment is available on our website here: [http://www.chantry.e-sussex.sch.uk/web/covid-19\\_information/499310](http://www.chantry.e-sussex.sch.uk/web/covid-19_information/499310)

**Parents evening** next week will still take place, socially distanced with children's books available in separate locations for reviewing. Please ensure you social distance from other parents and we encourage face coverings while in school. Further information to follow.

If you have any questions or queries please don't hesitate to speak with us.

Yours sincerely,

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