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# Newsletter 6

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I hope that you are all keeping well and managing to stay safe during this time. I know that many children and families may be experiencing additional worries and stress, please know that you can contact the school for support. Do not hesitate to call, staff are on site to help you. In this newsletter are updates to the risk assessment and important reminders for all families, regardless if children are based on site or off site.

## Positive Cases

The local authority would still like the school to report all positive coronavirus results for all pupils. This includes the children completing their lessons at home. Therefore, if your child receives a positive test, please call the school to let us know. This will also mean that we know that your child is unwell and will not be completing the online tasks. This information sharing also helps staff keep safe because home-visits for families who are isolating should not take place.

## Don't attend more than 1 setting

Now that schools are only open for the children of keyworkers and learners deemed to be vulnerable, the risk assessment provided by the local authority has been updated again. It reiterates, if parents and carers are sending their children to school then they must not send their children to other childcare providers or settings. Please contact school if this causes a problem for you and your family.

## Keyworker Waiting Lists

During this lockdown there are a maximum of 15 children in each year group. This means spaces for the children of keyworkers are limited. If you are a keyworker and your circumstances have changed meaning you now require a school place, please let the school know and your child will be placed on the year group waiting list.

## Stationery and Possessions

A reminder for parents and carers whose children are attending lessons on site – do not let your child bring stationery or other possessions to school, everything they need for the school day will be provided.

## Vouchers for Free School Meals

I know that vouchers are now available. Since there were huge issues with this service during the last lockdown the school has decided to continue providing weekly hampers for all children eligible for a free school meal (this does not include children who receive a free infant meal). Meeting parents when they collect their hampers also allows us to catch up with parents and offer additional support, if needed. We will continue to review this decision.

## Parents Evening

W/B 8th Feb, class teachers will call parents/carers of all the children in their class to review home learning during the lockdown or how well children have managed on site. This replaces spring's parents' evening. The class teachers will not make appointments with you but will make sure that they contact everyone during the week.

We are all missing seeing all of the children every day and hope to see everyone again soon. Take care. Remember to let the school know if you have any issues with home learning or helping your child with the lessons. Staff are happy to help.