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Dear Parent/Carers,

I would firstly, like to thank everybody, parents, staff and pupils for their amazing resilience this half term. There have been some challenges with the number of Covid cases but as you are aware we have been incredibly swift in how we have dealt with these and your support has been invaluable. In relation to the risk assessment for after the half term holiday, we will be keeping masks in communal areas and in lessons for the first two weeks, at which point I will review the situation/number of cases and work with PHE's advice. I will write to you again at this time.

So that we can make a good start to the term, from Tuesday 2nd November we will be be enforcing our uniform and class room expectations. Please familiarise yourself with the uniform and equipment detail on our <u>website</u>, taking particular note of rules around piercings. Please ensure that correct uniform/equipment is purchased over the break so that we can focus on learning when the children return from their well-deserved holiday. Please contact your child's tutor should any support be required with uniform or equipment. Compliance with uniform expectations will be checked regularly and sanctions will be issued, including inclusion where appropriate.

Just a reminder that the gate is now in operation at the front of the building and is closed during the school day, so you will need to buzz in if you are arriving for a meeting. Just a safety reminder that we are a school and community site and the speed limit on entry and exit is 5 miles an hour, we will be continuing to limit the cars on site at the start and the end of the day, to ensure safety of everyone and management of pupils on and off busses.

A reminder that we do have our Go 4 Schools APP on which you can access your child's progress and attendance data. See the <u>page</u> on our website for guidance and support on how to use Go 4 Schools. Also, until further notice parents' evenings will continue remotely on school cloud. I am aware that for many parents this is a preferred choice for parents evenings.

Information was sent out this week regarding the recruitment of a parent governor to our local governing body. I thank you in advance for considering this role and look forward to seeing the applications.

We are very much looking forward to having a good start to the term and ask for your support with our measures. Our focus inherently is on ensuring that your child is safe and is learning. I once again thank you for your support and wish everyone a good half term break. We look forward to welcoming your child back at 8.30am on Tuesday 2nd November 2021, remembering that Monday 1st November is a staff training day and pupils will not need to be in school.

Yours faithfully

Mrs Meena Gabbi Principal



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