



Monday 2nd November 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all had a lovely break with your friends and family. Welcome back to Autumn 2!

I'm sure by now you are all aware that the country will go into a national Lockdown from Thursday 5th November for four weeks, up to Wednesday 2nd December. This means that you will have to reduce your day-to-day contact with other people. The government has taken the following action:

1. Requiring all people to stay at home, except for specific purposes
2. Preventing gathering with people who do not live with you, except for specific purposes
3. Closing certain businesses and venues
4. Asking as many people as possible to work from home
5. Ensuring all Children Centres, Schools, Colleges and Universities remain OPEN

We would like to keep our school open, and we have implemented a range of protective measures to keep everyone safe, in line with government guidance. However, in light of the increased cases, we will be even more observant than ever to protect your children and staff throughout this period. If the government guidance changes at any time, I will let you know immediately.

Preventive measures to keep our children, staff and parents SAFE

- Wash your hands with soap and water frequently.
- Use hand sanitiser if you are unable to access soap and water.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue (not your hands) when you cough or sneeze, put used tissues in the bin immediately and wash your hands afterwards.
- Do NOT send your child to school if they are unwell, in particular with a high temperature, a new continuous cough or a loss or change in your normal sense of taste and smell.
- Wear a face mask/covering when you are dropping off and picking up your children.
- If you are waiting to collect your children, please DO NOT stand at the gate entrances, you should wait on the pavement across the road by the cage.
- Please ensure you are socially distancing from other parents (standing at least 2m away) because you are highly unlikely to catch or spread COVID-19 through air-borne particles if you maintain this distance.
- Please do not remain outside the school talking with other parents, all parents and children must disperse immediately.
- Please **do not engage in play dates** with other children from other households, particularly if they do not attend Thornhill.

Parents Evening

Parents Evening will take place on **1st December**. This year, your meetings will be an online meeting via Google Meets. Please note, to facilitate this system, the school will close after lunch on 1st December. All the details will be sent out shortly via SchoolPing.





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Flu Vaccination

The flu nasal spray vaccinations for Reception – Year 6 will take place on **Friday 27th November**. Parent consent forms and information letters will be sent out this week. **Please ensure you complete and return the form to either give permission or to decline the vaccination.**

Individual Photos

The individual pupil photos are scheduled to take place on Wednesday 11th November. If this is cancelled, we will notify you immediately via SchoolPing.

Once again, welcome back and I look forward to seeing everyone tomorrow.

Best wishes,

Miss Lewis
Headteacher



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