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Dear Parents/Carers

Re: Covid Update & Changes to Guidance

I am disappointed to once again be writing to you about Covid related restrictions but school guidance was updated yesterday in response to the government's announcement about a new Covid variant of concern. We have updated our risk assessments accordingly.

1. Face Masks - staff were already wearing these in communal areas but we are now requesting that parents/carers visiting the school wear these at all times. We are also requesting that face masks are worn in the school playground at pick up and drop off times and that you leave the playground as soon as you have dropped off or collected your child.
2. Assemblies - we plan to get together in a phase group for one last time next week to video our Christmas Performances for the website but will then suspend these until the new year.
3. Swimming - we will continue but keep this under review.
4. Christmas Church Visits - similarly, we continue to keep these under review over the next few weeks as official guidance is updated. However, in all likelihood, we will need to cancel these. If we are able to proceed, we will not be able to invite parents/carers to attend.

We, like you, are somewhat fatigued by the ongoing restrictions in place and note that other schools will respond differently. We have made our decisions based on the following:

- Updated Government guidance as applied to the size of our school and current case numbers.
- To maintain staffing levels in school so that we do not have to close classes again.
- To keep everyone safe and protect Christmas celebrations as much as we possibly can. (if detected, the new variant carries a requirement for close contacts/household members to self isolate for 10 days again - please note you only need to do this if instructed by Test and Trace).

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

Miss A Conner, Headteacher



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we aspire, succeed and thrive

