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### **COVID-19 UPDATE No 14**

Dear Parents & Carers

We hope that you all continue to be well.

I am just putting together the information that we now have regarding our September opening for all pupils. I am keen to make sure that I include all of the things that you want to know about. If you have something you would like to ask then please email me before Monday next week and I will make sure I include that in the information that comes out in a 'Frequently Asked Questions' section.

There will be lots of information coming your way and I will try to keep it as straight forward as possible. There will still be a number of restrictions in place that will mean we have to make slight changes to how we do things. I was also thinking of doing a series of short videos to go alongside the information as these seem to have been helpful for everyone so far.

I will try to get as much as I can out by the end of term next week but I am sure that there will also be follow-ups that will need to come to you over the summer break. The last week in August could be a particularly important time as we make final preparations ready for the start of term for children on Wednesday 2nd September.

Thank you again for your continued support and well done for all your efforts this week with our Love Project. There have been hundreds of brilliant photos and videos sent in to school of all the things you have been up to at home. I am definitely feeling the love out there! We can't wait to put as many of them together as we can. Thank you also for your additional ideas that you have shared with us.

### **Next week's Home Learning**

As we continue to try to make the final days of the term enjoyable and different, next week you will have a series of quizzes to take part in. Each day a different group of staff at school



have the responsibility of setting a series of quiz questions for you and your child to answer. We would like you to submit your answers daily in the normal way thorough your child's classteacher on ClassDojo. House points will then be awarded for every person that sends a return in. After the final set of questions on Friday we will total up the points, add them to totals we already have in school and reveal the winning house for 2019-2020. A video message will then be recorded and posted on our facebook page during the afternoon. If you would like to join in and submit a set of questions as well then please just send them to your child's classteacher through ClassDojo and we can then look to see if we can share them with others.

Next week is likely to be an emotional week for everyone I think as term officially comes to an end and realisation sets in that are a number of children that we haven't seen for four months and will not see until September. It will also be our last chance to spend time with our Y6 pupils before they leave us for secondary school. We will definitely mark the occasion with them in some way next week and depending on the weather we may also be able to invite in those pupils from Y6 that haven't been in with us over the past few weeks. More information will follow after we've seen the forecast so keep your eyes peeled!

Finally, a number of children have asked me if they can bring thank you presents in for their teachers and teaching assistants. The answer to this is yes. Ideally they need to be things that staff can isolate for a few days before they open them. I realise how important this can be for some children so I don't want to say no if there is a safe way we can manage it for staff. I know the staff are all extremely touched by the gifts that they receive and it is a lovely way for their hard work to be acknowledged. Their relationships with the children are what makes this school so special.

Keep going everyone! You are all doing a brilliant job and it continues to be a pleasure to support you and your children in any way we can.

Best wishes to everyone.

Mrs S Frost  
Headteacher

Mr Paul Rafferty  
Chair of Governors

