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MID-TERM 2 UPDATE INFORMATION

Dear Parents/Carers,

It is thanks to the tremendous hard work and efforts of all the staff, children and parents/carers for their consistent adherence to the guidance and safety measures we have in place at school that we have managed to avoid disruption to any of our year group bubbles thus far.

Even though as I send this letter, there have been no confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 in children or staff, reported to me, it appears that Coronavirus has now caught up with the wider Thames View Community.

Due to staff members being absent from school, either because they have been contacted by the NHS Track and Trace App and told to Self-Isolate, or because a household member has tested positive or has symptoms, I regret to inform you that we will be unable to safely operate our Early Years department next week.

Our Nursery and Reception Classes; Sparkles, Pippin and Sunrise, will be closed, initially for one week, from Monday 23rd November.

Please find the Home Learning resources for these classes on our school website:

Nursery - <https://www.thamesviewprimary.medway.sch.uk/fun-activities-in-the-event-of-nursery-closure/>

Reception - <https://www.thamesviewprimary.medway.sch.uk/year-r-1/>

If you have any questions please contact the Early Years class teachers as you would normally do via Tapestry.

If you are a Key Worker and therefore exempt from the current National Lockdown restrictions, please contact the school office for further guidance regarding your child being in school next week.

Liberty Class

In addition, from Monday 23rd November, we will be implementing a slight change to the end of day pick-up arrangements for parents of children in Liberty class, to ease the congestion along the path/drive way. Please could you enter the small gate by the steps (4C) and form a line into the Liberty class courtyard area to collect your child. Cones will be in place as a guide of where to stand and where to exit.

Please could everyone continue to follow the Guidance below.

- Please can parents/carers be reminded **NOT** to arrive too early to drop off/pick up your child/ren, therefore avoiding a long wait in a queue. Please wait in your car a little longer or if walking to school, leave home a little later.
- Please remember to wear a face covering when entering the school premises, unless you are exempt.

- Please remember to keep a two-metre distance whilst waiting in a queue, using the markings on the ground as a guide, and ensure that your child remains with you.
- Please avoid congregating near the school gates or on the school drive to chat to other parents/carers.
- Please remember only **ONE** parent/carer should be dropping off/picking up their child/ren.
- Please remember to stay at home and book a COVID-19 test if you or a member of your family has one of the main coronavirus symptoms:
 - a high temperature
 - a new, continuous cough
 - the loss or change of sense of taste or smell
- Please remember to report any Positive cases of COVID-19 to the school office ASAP.
- Please contact the school office to report your child's absence in the usual way.

Thank you once again for your ongoing support and consideration for each other.

Kind regards

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Mrs Deanne Daburn
Head of School