

Hi everyone

Good morning and welcome to another week of lockdown. I hope you all enjoyed the chilly weekend weather and managed to get some fresh air. It's good to have slightly warmer weather in school this week! We are trying hard to get the right balance of well-ventilated rooms but warm enough for the children - and staff - to concentrate. We are not required to have doors open - but we do have to have the windows open enough to create the ventilation that is required. Therefore extra layers or thermals are a really good idea.

You may be aware that the critical worker requirements have changed again, with the phrase 'parents and carers of critical workers should keep their children at home where they can'. This is a slight change to previously and you may want to reflect on what this means for your family. My biggest fear is that the more children there are in school the more likely we are to be in a position where we have to send a whole year group 'bubble' home, which could have serious implications for you and your ability to work. This is a risk you take when you send your children in. However, we are coping for the time being.

We are really impressed with the work you are doing at home with your children. Almost all parents have signed up to either Tapestry or SeeSaw - if you haven't, please do so. You will notice that teachers are posting a lot more 'teaching clips' this time round, which I hope will reassure those of you who are worrying about the new learning taking place. We have to keep the children on track with new learning this time, as we are so much earlier in the school year. If you or your child is struggling with a new concept you are able to call school and your child's teacher will get back to you when they can.

As always, we are here if you need us,

With love from Jacky