28th May 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we welcome back children within the Key Worker/Vulnerable Group across the first week back (1st June) and hopefully more and more of our pupils from 8th June, we felt it important to clarify some day-to-day practices.

- Children returning will continue wear school clothing, but we ask the items are kept to a minimal and can be easily washed and dried. As the weather has been very warm, and we hope this continues, a short sleeved white shirt, shorts, skirt or summer dress seem appropriate. Year 6 pupils do not have to wear a tie. If your child does not need their coat it is also recommended they are not brought into school. Jumpers are also discouraged. All clothing items should be named.

- As each child will have their own designated learning space it makes sense to have only essential clothing and equipment.

- PE kits are not to be sent in to school and as we establish more and more routines we will send out T2P text messages informing parents on which days children should come dressed in their PE kit.

- A water bottle is needed each day your child attends school, as drinking from water fountains or sharing cups will not be permitted. Please ensure the water bottle is clearly named to prevent the risk of another child thinking it could be theirs.

- A packed lunch can be ordered via our catering service, but the recommendation is that one is prepared at home if possible.

- We will supervise hand-washing and aim to ensure this is undertaken at least 6 times throughout the school day.

- If your child, or anyone else in your household, shows COVID-19 symptoms (high temperature, coughing or lack of smell or taste), you should not send them to school, but should instead follow government guidance related to testing and isolation. You should call us at school for advice. If your child develops symptoms at school, they will be sent home immediately and government guidance should be followed.

- If your child requires any first aid help at school for any reason, they will be tended to as usual by a trained member of staff, but that member of staff will wear full personal protective equipment. This will consist of gloves, an apron, a face mask and a visor. You may wish to discuss this with your child, as it is not what they are used to and could be potentially distressing for them to see staff dressed in this way.

- We ask that all parents read our Risk Assessment on the website and we cannot emphasise enough how important it is that you keep asking your questions or seek further clarification.

We cannot thank you enough for your support and understanding in order that your children, our staff and our community can be as safe as possible

Kind regards,
Mrs J L Stevenson
Headteacher.