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Dear Year 5 Parents

I hope I find you all well.

Further to my letter on Thursday, we have had further children testing positive over the weekend. This means we will be taking additional measures to reduce the risk of further transmission in the class and around the school.

From today, the following additional measures will be introduced:

- We will 'bubble' Year 5 class for the next week. They will have separate play and lunchtimes, staggered start and end times.
- Year 5 should arrive at 8.35 am and will be collected from the playground and should be collected at 3.05 pm. This is to reduce the number of children passing through the school at the start and end of the day.
- Hot school meals will be available to the children.
- If your child joins Breakfast Club, they will go straight to Year 5 classroom from 7.45 am and not have contact with the main school breakfast club.
- They will have access to after school clubs.
- Please provide old shoes/football boots or boots so the children can enjoy the field throughout the school day.
- Siblings will continue to be dropped off and collected at normal school time.

These measures are in addition to the measures already in place such as enhanced ventilation, cleaning, fogging, classroom organisation. We continue to refer to the DfE guidance however also use our professional judgement, knowledge of the school and health and safety policy to make decisions that we know will work for the children and the school.

We would urge you to test the children regularly using LFDs which helps identify cases early and stop the spread of the virus. Before Christmas, this helped to identify a number of cases where children did not have any symptoms or they were very mild.

The Government still expects attendance to be mandatory and as a school we have to fulfil this expectation. We will obviously continue to update you of any further developments.

Yours sincerely

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