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Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year and I hope you have all had a lovely Christmas despite the restrictions.

We are looking forward to welcoming the children back into school tomorrow. I would like to reassure that we will be continuing to be extra vigilant in our processes of regular handwashing, keeping children in their bubbles and distancing where possible. Only essential visitors will be allowed into the school building and these will be asked to wear a face mask.

Being in Tier 4, as an additional precaution this term, I politely request that all adults waiting at the school gates to wear a face mask, especially if you wish to speak to a member of staff. Teachers and teaching assistants will also be wearing masks at this time.

Please do not send your child into school if they have any of the Covid-19 symptoms. The main symptoms are:

- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot, for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours
- a loss or change to sense of smell or taste – this means they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal.

The government's advice is that if your child does have any of these symptoms, you need to:

- Get your child tested for the coronavirus as soon as possible and inform the school of the results.
- You, your child and anyone else you live with should stay at home and not have visitors until you get the test result – only leave your home to have the test.
- If the test is positive, follow guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection, and engage with the NHS Test and Trace process.

Thank you for your continued support at this very challenging time and we look forward to welcoming your child back in school tomorrow.

With very best wishes,

Debbie Shepherd  
Acting Headteacher

