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**'My neighbour is anyone who
needs my help'**

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Dear Parent/Carer,

This is just a quick up-date on the increased infection control measures that we will be implementing in school over the next week in order to reduce the spread of disease and contain the current Covid outbreak:

- Reducing social mixing between different classes of children, facilitated through:
 - Different arrangement and procedures in the hall at lunchtime
 - Zoned areas of the playground at breaktime
 - No after school clubs – PH Sport and Acorn football
- Enhanced cleaning regime
- Increased frequency of hand washing/sanitising
- No visitors to the school
- Staff members LFD testing daily
- No trips off-site – gym, swimming or dash

These are in addition to the other measures that we already have in place:

- Adults wearing facemasks in communal areas of the school and maintaining social distancing
- No whole school gatherings
- Good hygiene practices – Catch It, Kill It, Bin It
- Good ventilation – your child is welcome to wear base-layers and/or their coat to help combat the reduction in room temperature this brings at this time of year

The ways in which you can support us during this time include:

- Being vigilant for Covid symptoms and other signs that your child is unwell and discussing these with school before sending your child in.
- Taking your child for a PCR test if they have any possible Covid symptoms (high temperature; new and continuous cough; loss or change to their sense of taste and smell) and keeping them at home until you have the results of this.
- Regularly testing your child at home using freely available LFD tests.
- Following any directions given to members of your household from NHS Test and Trace – testing, isolating, etc.
- Ensuring your child is dropped off and picked up promptly every day.
- Only sending one adult to collect children at the end of the day.
- Wearing a facemask when you are on or near the school site.
- Only making use of school's Wrap Around Care if this is necessary for you to meet work commitments.

In the first instance these measures will be in place until the end of next week (21st January), but we will be keeping them under constant review. We are hopeful that with this increased effort and vigilance from our whole community we will be able to contain this outbreak swiftly, and therefore be able to stop implementing the enhanced measures soon.

We greatly appreciate your support and understanding in these times which are difficult for us all.

Best wishes,
Lindsey Hermon