

Dear Parents,

Updated Advice from Milton Keynes and Public Health re: Covid

Yesterday, we sent out the updated guidance from MK Council and Public Health England advising of measures which now have to be implemented within schools due the rising number of Covid 19 cases within the wider community.

As a school, the safety of all our pupils and staff is paramount and therefore there will now be some small changes to our practice. These measures have been implemented with immediate effect.

- All staff will wear face coverings in communal areas outside the classroom
- Staff will maintain distance on the playground or will wear a face covering if they know they may need to chat to parents or make any close contact.
- Parents should revert to waiting outside the marked yellow boxed areas outside each of the exit/entrance doors on the playground
- Currently, we do not have to request that parents wear face coverings on the playground before and after school, but we do ask that you maintain good social distancing measures. Please also continue to respect the one-way system of entering the school by the path and leaving on the marked walkway through the car park. Thank you.
- All visitors to the school will need to wear a face covering.
- Assemblies will be delivered to classes virtually rather than bringing year groups together - we will keep this under review. Some assemblies will be delivered face to face in year groups by myself or Debbie Williamson or class teachers themselves
- After School and Breakfast Club children will be divided into smaller groups - similar in age - to minimise contact.
- After School Sport will continue although children will be split into smaller groups when sport takes place inside on a Tuesday and Wednesday.
- Swimming and all other curriculum activities continue as normal.

Nursery parents - Parents will now need to drop and collect from the Nursery door as we have done previously during Covid restrictions. Past experience shows that most children will adapt quickly to this new arrangement. However, if your child is upset, please speak with the Nursery team and we will find a way to support you. I apologise for not getting this information to you before this morning's drop off but thank you in advance for your support in keeping all our children and families as safe as they can be.

Educational Visits - We will be looking ahead to consider the viability of trips and visits and performances around Christmas time and will make decisions on these based on the Covid situation at the time and the guidance in place. We will endeavour to keep you well informed.

For now, I can confirm that the **Foundation Stage visits to Chiki Ceramiki next week will go ahead.** These visits only involve children within our Foundation Stage and therefore the 'bubble' will not be compromised in any way. All adults leading the session will be masked and take LFD tests on the morning of each visit.

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