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Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you have had a good Summer break. we are all looking forward to the start of the new school year and seeing everyone back on Monday 6th September. A reminder of how school will work under the current Government guidelines is below.

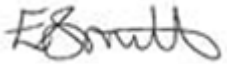
- The school day is **8:45am-3.15pm** for all year groups. Our new Reception children will have their staggered start as detailed in the letters already sent out to parents, starting for full time days on 10th September.
- Drop off/Collection - Each class will still use their separate classroom entrances. Year 3 will come in/out through the double doors on the playground.
- The **one way system** for Year 4, Year 1 and Base 1 Reception will remain in place.
- We still ask Y5 and Y6 children and parents to use the gate by the bottom field/ at the side of the school carpark where possible.
- Full school uniform will be required. On PE days, children will need to come to school in their school PE kit. **PE days are now on the class pages of the school website.**
- Bags are allowed for reading books and water bottles but we no toys or resources from home are to be brought into school.
- Breakfast club and After School Hub will operate on a first come first served basis. Places are booked/paid directly by parents via Scopay.
- Initially, we will still be limiting visitors and parents being in the school building for meetings. Please use the A2190@taw.org.uk email for messages or speak to a member of SLT or Mrs Robinson who will be on duty at the school gates at the start and end of day. **Please do not use the staff direct emails.**
- **Do not send your children in to school if they are unwell.**
- If your child tests positive for covid 19, please inform school as soon as possible. Positive cases will still need to self-isolate and learn from home if physically able. Close contacts will be contacted by NHS Test and Trace and not school.
- If your child is identified as a close contact of someone who has tested positive, the public health advice for pupils is as follows:
  - Parents should inform the school as soon as possible that the pupil has been identified as close contact. Pupils will be allowed to attend school **if they do not have any symptoms.**
  - Pupils that travel to school on public transport should be asked to wear a face covering on these journeys.

We are required to have an outbreak management plan which outlines how we would operate if there were an outbreak in our school or local area. In the event of us having to deal with an outbreak, we would have to rapidly reintroduce many of the more formal measures we had in place before the summer, until the cases were brought under control.

We will be maintaining a cautious approach initially and will review our systems and risk assessment regularly. We continue to follow the Government guidance and Local Health Protection Hub advice. Our risk assessment has been updated and is now available on the policies page of the school website and will be emailed out. We will still ensure we adhere to rigorous and robust hand hygiene, ventilation and cleaning.

Thank you again for your continued support. We look forward to seeing everyone on Monday morning.

Yours sincerely



Mrs E. Smith
Headteacher