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## Newsletter 40

Dear Parents and Carers

### Easing of Restrictions

As of next Monday, we are no longer required to work in bubbles in school. However, we are aware of growing numbers of Covid-19 cases in the local community and we want to avoid a situation in which many of us (children, families and staff) are self-isolating for the beginning of our summer holidays. Therefore, we are planning on making very limited changes to our operational systems next week:

- Children in Key Stage 2 (Classes 3, 4 and 5) will be allowed to mix together outdoors at playtime. In the event of a child testing positive only close contacts (face-to-face contact, or 15 minutes within 2 metres) would need to isolate.
- Transition morning – Tuesday 20 July. Children will spend the morning working in their new classes with their teachers for September; in Class 1 this will include our new entrants. Class lists will be announced later this week.

In both of these cases, we believe the benefits to the children outweigh the risks. If you would like your child to stay within their own bubble at playtimes and/or on the transition morning, and not mix with others, please let us know and we will make alternative arrangements for those children.

Remember, Lateral Flow Tests are not to be used by primary aged children. If your child is symptomatic they must get a PCR test and the household must self-isolate whilst you await the result.

### Year 6 Leavers' Assembly

On Tuesday 20 July, at 2.45pm, we will hold a Leavers' Assembly for our Year 6 leavers. If the weather permits, this will be a whole school assembly, outdoors and socially distanced. If the weather is against us, then we will hold the assembly indoors for the Class 5 bubble only.

**All Year 6 parents only** (no parents of younger children) are invited to attend the Leavers' Assembly, whether it takes place indoors or outdoors. There will be no formal service for the Year 6s on the final day of term – we will clap and cheer them out of school as they complete the primary phase of their education.

**End of Term** Please collect your children at **1.00pm** on the final day of term. The school dinner options will be fish and chips or Quorn dippers. Breakfast Club will be open as usual, but there will be no After School Club.

Best wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Veness', written in a cursive style.

Mr. J. Veness