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Head Teacher: Miss Paula Page

23rd October 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

Thank you for your support this half term. There have been many changes which have affected the way in which we work but we feel that the children have adapted and settled well into this new normal and it is lovely to see them progressing with their learning and engaging in such a broad and balanced curriculum. As you will already be aware the numbers of positive cases are continuing to grow nationally and while we have not been asked at this stage to make any further changes we want to ensure that we are continuing to adapt where we feel appropriate.

#### Measures already in place:

- Children should arrive at school at their allocated time.
- Only 1 parent should be accompanying children to and from school to limit numbers of adults on site.
- Everyone should follow the one way system around school and also socially distance from other children and adults.
- Please ensure that adults and children move swiftly from the site at the beginning and end of the day.
- Children should keep a good level of hand hygiene at all times.
- Continue to be patient and courteous to others in order to support a steady stream throughout the one way system.

#### Additional measures:

- As per local recommendations, we will no longer be sending letters out for suspected cases (e.g. a child has symptoms such as a high temperature). We will of course send a letter to anyone affected should there be a positive case in school.
- We would like to make the drop off easier for parents with multiple children at the school. We will be asking teachers to welcome children into their classroom from 8.30am if they have a sibling in school which means that they are on school premises earlier than their drop off time. This will mean that parents do not need to walk around the school twice and no one will need to wait on the playground during drop off time.
- We would like to encourage adults to wear a mask during drop off and collection of your child/ren. This is not compulsory but we do feel that it would add a further protective measure. (Staff at this time will not be wearing masks as this is not recommended guidance.)
- Adults must wear a mask if they wish to enter the school office.

It is very important that you keep us informed if your child displays symptoms and immediately inform us should they receive a positive test result. We hope that you will not need to do so but if your child tests positive over the half term holiday, during weekends or indeed during the school week it is vitally important that you let us know as soon as possible via our school office email [office@hvp.org.uk](mailto:office@hvp.org.uk) so that we can begin the track and trace process. You would need to include **your child's name** and **year group** plus the **date in which they started experiencing symptoms**. Please add **Positive Covid Test** to the subject line and if school is open also call the school office.

A final reminder that half term is slightly longer this year due to teacher training days and the children will not be returning to school until Wednesday 4th November 2020.

Wishing all of our wonderful Hampton Vale community a lovely, restful break.

Kind regards,



Miss P Page  
Head teacher



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