

17<sup>th</sup> September 2020

Dear Parents and Carers.

The return to school has gone very well and we are so impressed with the way the children have settled back to school and adapted to the new routines. They have shown maturity and understanding of the situation we all find ourselves in.

As you will of heard in the media, infection rates of Coronavirus continue to rise across the country and having seen how the school has operated with all children back we have made the decision, in line with government guidelines and public health England, that we request that parents wear a face covering when they are on school site at drop off and pick up times. The reason for this is that we want to minimise the risk of transmitting Coronavirus in school, ensuring staff, parents and children are safe at all times.

We will obviously make exceptions for those parents who cannot wear them for medical reasons.

Public Health Officials are advising everyone to be vigilant in all day to day activities. It has been difficult for some parents to maintain social distancing at school gates, and by the introduction of face coverings this further measure will help prevent the spread of Coronavirus.

The advice remains the same: *keeping your distance*, *getting a test only if you have covid symptoms*, *washing your hands and wearing a face covering* where *required*. Parents and carers are asked to do everything they can to protect their families and friends.

Thank you for your continued trust and support.

Mr Shotton and Mrs Saunders

