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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back after the summer break. I hope you enjoyed quality family time with your children in these crazy times of covid. It was a strange finish to the end of last term, but Year 6 had a good farewell and those children in school were happy to be back. Thank you once again for all of the lovely cards and thoughtful gifts that we received.

All of the children have settled in well and look very smart in their new uniforms and are very eager to start learning. Welcome to all of our new staff, children and parents and I hope you all enjoy your new journey at Smithdown.

## COVID:

- **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2020 – All parents must wear a face covering on the playground when collecting children (you will be asked to wait at the gate if you don't have one)**
- **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2020 – Year 4 children to be collected from the KS2 junior playground at the end of the day**

The children and staff are doing their best in school but you as parents also have an important role to play during the pandemic. The Government rules states:-

- **The person with symptoms should isolate for 10 days starting from the first day of their symptoms and the rest of their household for 14 days.**

The Government rule above is very important! If you as a parent have any symptoms, or you have a child in another school who has symptoms, then isolation **must** take place! The rest of the household, including your child at Smithdown, will need to isolate for 14 days. Some parents have **not** told us that they have an older secondary school child in isolation and have sent their younger child into Smithdown, potentially spreading the virus. This must not happen, so please keep us updated. Book a test online or call 119. If negative your child can return to school immediately.

- Make sure you clean your child's uniform more regularly.
- Promote good hand washing and hygiene at home.
- **When collecting your child at the end of the day, you must wear a mask due to the large amount of adults in one place**
- 3pm collection – Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 and Year 3.
- 3:15pm collection –Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6.

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- We have staggered the end of the day to stop overcrowding on the playground.
- Please use all gates that are open when leaving on Smithdown Lane and leave promptly.
- Be on time when dropping off and collecting your children through the correct gates to avoid overcrowding.
- Follow us on Twitter and look at the school website under 'COVID' section for the latest updates.
- Ensure you inform us of your up to date phone number in case of an emergency

#### Uniform:

- All children should be in correct uniform with their **name** in it.
- Earrings can be worn but must be small studs for healthy and safety purposes.
- Black school shoes and not trainers please
- Uniform cleaned more regularly due to the covid pandemic.
- If you need any assistance or advice with uniform then please speak to one of the staff.

#### Parking:

Most families walk to school, which is great, but for those in a car please remember a few basic rules.

- No parking on the yellow lines.
- Do not block the neighbours drive ways.
- Drive slowly on the approach to school and when you leave.
- Put your children in the car on the pavement side.
- Look carefully for crossing children.
- Park away from school gates and walk up to collect your children.

The latest curriculum information will be available for you on the website over the coming weeks and please follow us on Twitter to see the engaging activities that your child will be taking part in.

There is a lot of information here, so any questions then please feel free to ask and we will try and assist you

Regards

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