



18<sup>th</sup> September 2020

Dear Parents, Carers and Students

Thank you for your continued support of the temporary measures we have had to introduce due to Covid-19. We are regularly reviewing our procedures and I will update you each time we do.

From Monday 21<sup>st</sup> September we will be making some changes based on staff, parent and student feedback and a review of the first two weeks:

- Students should wear ties (if you have not got a tie, please buy one from the school shop – we understand in the first few days some students may still be in the process of purchasing their tie)
- We are extending the lunch time to 30 minutes but school will still finish at 14.35 for the immediate future.
- **ALL** students (not just free school meal students) can pre-order a cold lunch in the morning or at break and pick it up at break or lunch, respectively.
- Students should continue to enter by specific gates but can leave school by any gate, as the staggered end time will ensure bubbles are maintained.

We will continue to ask students to wear masks in communal indoor spaces and ask that you ensure that your child has their own equipment, sanitiser, mask and tissues.

Things remain very difficult in terms of ensuring students are as safe as we can make them and that they remain in bubbles. Having students outside is the healthiest place for them to be at lunch but this has raised the issue of outside seating. We are going to establish a fund raising initiative to improve our outside space. I will be working with students to consider ideas for this and would welcome ideas from any parents who would like to support this initiative. Please contact my PA, Mrs Wade, on [fran.wade@mrus.co.uk](mailto:fran.wade@mrus.co.uk) if you would like to be involved.

Please be assured we will continue to review our Risk Assessment regularly but are also aware that Covid-19 will be with us for some time to come.

Finally, we continue to have Health and Safety issues with parent's parking and some parents driving onto the school site. There was a collision last week; luckily no child was injured but two cars were damaged. We have also had complaints from residents in Dover Crescent regarding parents parking in no parking zones. I know traffic around the school is challenging but if you could please support us with this to ensure safety and harmony in the community it would be appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs J Bloor  
Headteacher