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Sunday 1st November 2020

Welcome back to Term 2

Dear Parents/ Carers,

I hope that this letter finds you safe and well after our week-long half term break. As you know, the government announcement of a month-long lockdown does NOT affect the opening of schools and academies. It is our aim to run as normal and to do so, we need you – our wonderful school families – to continue to support us as you always have.

This letter is intended to reiterate our Risk Assessment measures (which can be found on our school website under the 'Coronavirus: Latest Updates' tab) and to reassure you of our dedication to the health, safety and wellbeing of each and every member of our St Nicholas CE Primary Academy families.

We made it through the whole of Term 1 without any disruption from the one confirmed case that we had, mainly due to the low numbers of cases in Boston but also due to your commitment to upholding the safety measures we have put in place. However, as the number of cases in our locality begin to rise, it is essential that we all do our bit to stay well together. I understand that the measures can feel annoying and that everyone is frustrated by the current circumstances but here at St Nicholas CE Primary Academy, and across the entire Infinity Academies Trust, we always continue to shine!

The following guidelines are a reminder of the most important measures that we have in place. Please remind yourselves of them so that you are ready to follow them one again upon your return to Term 2 in the morning:

- Please **arrive at school on time**. The gates are open from 8:30am and they close promptly at 8:45am. If you are late, you put staff at increased risk due to handover taking place inside the Main Entrance rather than outside in the fresh air.
- **Face coverings must be worn** at all times on the school premises when bringing and collecting your children (unless medically exempt and after discussion with Mrs Booth).
- The **one-way system** must be followed by everyone. I know it's a pain but it is intended to keep everyone safe.
- Everyone attending the site must **follow social distancing** guidelines, even if you are wearing a face covering.
- When absolutely necessary, only **one person** to enter the Main Entrance to speak to a member of staff in the Main Office.

In classrooms we will:

- Ensure **good ventilation** throughout the day. The windows and external doors will be opened at every break and lunch time, with no more than 1 hour between each 'refresh' of air.
- Tables and **equipment will be cleaned** at the end of each session throughout the day.
- **Hand washing/ sanitizer routines** are built into the timetable so that this takes place before and after each activity.
- Each child has their **own personal set of stationary** and equipment to limit shared resources.
- Lunch is eaten in smaller groups to ensure **limited mixing** of 'bubbles' (it is impossible to completely remove mixing so our aim is to minimize the occasions when this happens).

As always, our staff team are here to help and support you.

Attendance at school is vital to your child being able to flourish and we will do all we can to support you and your family in attending. Please remember that if you have a confirmed case, or you are awaiting the results of a test, you must inform the Office on 01205 363 210 so that we can make the necessary arrangements as quickly as possible.

We will never see a family struggle. If at any point in the coming days and weeks, you are struggling to feed or clothe your family – or you are struggling in general – please do get in touch. We have a dedicated team, ably led by Mrs Curtis, who have access to a wide range of resources that are designed to help, guide and support families.

As the next few weeks progress, we will continue to update you regularly so keep an eye on Parent Hub, Tapestry (EYFS only), Twitter, Facebook and our website. It is really important that you familiarise yourselves with all of these methods of communication so that, should the need arise, you can access the remote learning resources as well as the most up-to-date information.

I know I speak for the entire team when I say that we cannot wait to see you all tomorrow on the gates in the morning.

Roll on Term 2 ... it's our time to shine!

Yours sincerely,



Mrs F Booth
Head Teacher

