



Monday 2nd November

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you all had a lovely half term and enjoyed some family time together. We are returning to school today with another national lockdown being implemented on Thursday. This is obviously a very worrying time for everyone and we all have our own concerns and anxieties around the virus and lockdown. However, at school we are totally focussed on keeping the children as safe as possible, as normal as possible and engaging as possible. We want the children to feel safe, enjoy their learning, being with their friends and taking part in normal school life.

Over the next few days we will revisit our Risk Assessment and identify any necessary changes, we will also be receiving Government and Department for Education updates and guidance that we may need to adopt and build into our systems. As and when we have significant updates we will share with you and keep communication as open as possible. In the meantime there are a few actions we can take straight away:

- Maintain 2 meters between you and other families on the school grounds at the start and end of the day.
- Only one adult on school premises to pick up and collect children.
- Encourage all KS2 children (Y3 Y6) to come onto the playground independently.
- Do not approach members of staff, please email or telephone the office with any messages.
- Staff who are on gate duty will be wearing masks while outside but these will be removed once they come into school.

Thank you all for working with us to help keep everyone safe.

Finally, we are so privileged to have a fantastic staff team here at CtS. Everyone is working hard to take care of your children, not only educationally but also to support their well being during this difficult period. We believe that school is the best place for them and we look forward to a very exciting half term in the run up to Christmas.

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