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Dear Parents

Re: Rising cases of COVID

We have been advised by the South West Directors of Public Health that for the next two weeks we air on the side of caution to mitigate any impact from social mixing during the half term period.

There has been an increase in the number of COVID-19 cases both locally and nationally in recent weeks and as a precaution we are asking that only 2 families at any one time enter the building at drop off and pick up. We will still be holding parent consultations but these will be held outside and for no longer than 15 minutes. We will have the doors and windows open for ventilation so please dress your child in layers (hoodies/cardigans/coats should be named.) There will be regular hand sanitisation and only essential visitors will be invited into pre-school by appointment only.

If your child is unwell then please keep them at home. If negative for COVID individuals should still wait until 24 hours post fever to return to pre-school. Colds and other non-COVID symptoms are circulating but in first instance cardinal symptoms should be treated as possible COVID and trigger isolation and testing.

Please get a PCR test (test that is sent to a lab) to check if your child has COVID-19 and stay at home until you get the result. LFT (Lateral flow tests) which are mainly used for people with no symptoms are less sensitive than PCR tests which are used for people with symptoms.

book a COVID test to rule out COVID-19.

Thank you for your support

Kelly & Leanne Joint Managers