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PRIMARY & NURSERY
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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this letter finds you safe, well and enjoying the relaxation of some of the Covid rules, especially with the wonderful weather we have had recently! However, I feel I need to take this opportunity to remind everyone of the necessary rules we have in place when dropping off/picking up children from school.

Firstly, each KS1 and KS2 class has a section of the school pitch set aside for their children and parents to wait on until it is time for the doors to be opened. We urge you to use these demarcated areas and not gather on the concourse which causes overcrowding and makes social distancing very difficult. Once pupils have been collected/dropped off, please leave the school site as quickly as possible unless, of course, you have to pick up/drop off another sibling. We also request that only one parent/carer per family comes onto the school site to limit numbers.

Furthermore, we have noticed that there are still an alarming number of parents/carers who are coming onto our school premises without wearing face masks. Can I ask you to PLEASE wear a mask whenever you come onto the school site, unless you are exempt and have appropriate ID. By wearing a mask, you are helping to keep our children, the staff and also other parents/carers safe, thus reducing the risk of infection and possible bubble closures. We do have some children and parents/carers who are classed as extremely vulnerable and thus we need to be extra vigilant.

Finally, we still have a small number of parents/carers parking in the church car park. Please can we remind you again not to park here and instead use the large car-park next to the convent on Wood Street. The church car park is far too small to be used for school traffic and there have been a number of altercations between parents which the children have seen. Furthermore, cars entering/exiting the church car park are causing congestion on Wood Street and Bowness Road, which in turn could lead to serious accidents. The safety of our school family and the general public is of utmost importance - please help us all keep safe and do not use this car park.

We know that the vast majority of parents adhere to our all our requests and for that we are extremely grateful. Please continue to help us help you.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,
Mr. McGrail



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