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Dear Parents and carers,

COVID-19 Protocol Update

As mentioned in the last newsletter, we are looking carefully at ways that we can adapt our procedures to reflect the changes in the national COVID-19 situation. As confirmed on Monday the government are going ahead with the next step of their 'Roadmap out of Lockdown' from Monday 17th May 2021. Therefore, we are updating our procedures and protocols in line with this.

This is a summary of the changes that we will be putting place on Monday 17th May.

Bubbles

When outside, we are combining Tigers (Reception) and Lions (Year 1 and 2) classes into one bubble, Bubble 1. Leopards (Year 3 and 4) and Jaguars (Year 5 and 6) will be combined into one bubble, Bubble 2, when outside. This means that they will be able to play outside at the same time, for playtimes and their lunch time play. We will still be keeping staggered playtimes and lunchtimes, so that Bubble 1 and Bubble 2 remain separate.

After School Clubs

As we are combining our classes into two 'outside bubbles' we are able to open some of the after school clubs to more year groups:

- Monday's Multi-sports club will be for Tigers and Lions
- Tuesday's Football club will be for Lions
- Wednesday's Multi-sports club will be for Leopards and Jaguars
- Thursday's Football club will be for Leopards and Jaguars
- Friday's Football club will be for Tigers

A separate clubs letter will be sent tomorrow with a booking form and payment information.

Drop off and Pick up

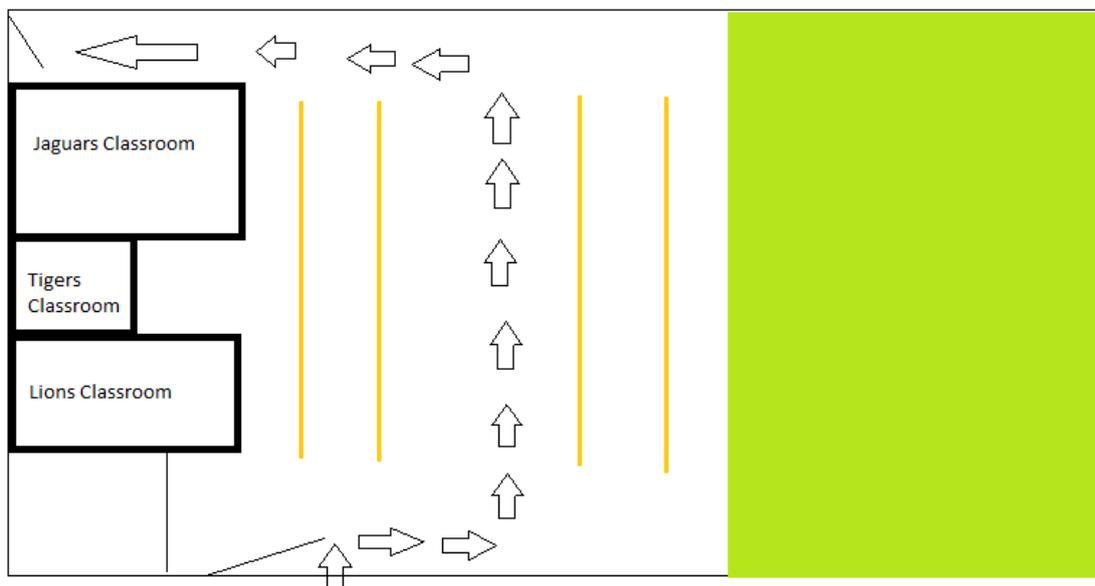
We will continue to have a one way system in place, with entry onto the playground via the 5 bar gate and exit via the small side gate.

The drop off time will now be from 8.55am to 9.05am for all families, with the gate being closed by 9.10am at the latest. We continue to ask that you wear masks, unless exempt, and maintain social distancing when waiting to enter and while on the school grounds.

For pick up time, the whole school will gather on the playground in class rows for 3.15pm, illustrated by the orange lines in the picture below. There won't be a specific line for each class. The first class onto the playground will use the line furthest from the school, and so on. This will help to prevent mixing of the classes.

The gate will be open for parents/carers to collect their children between 3.15 pm until 3.25pm. Please ensure that you stay in the walkway between the lines of pupils, wave at your child to get their attention and they will join you.

We also ask that you continue to move through the playground, not stopping in the walkway. If a member of staff needs to speak to you e.g. for an injury update, they will call you to the side. It may be necessary to temporarily 'pause' parents/carers coming into the playground if we need to slow the numbers of people on the playground.



Before School Club

Before school club will no longer be facing the previous restrictions, so any pupil may attend who wishes to. This will still take place outside with the children organised in the two 'outside bubbles'.

School Bags

School bags will be able to be used again. However we do ask that you keep the number of items being brought into school to a minimum.

Further details can be found on the updated risk assessment that will be put on the website shortly.

If you have any queries or concerns please contact the school office. I know the children, and staff, will enjoy this step towards 'normal' school life.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs G. Ryan

Headteacher