LEIGH

Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been lovely to welcome some children back to school this week and my thanks to all of you who have assisted us with this. We have some children attending as part of our Key Worker Group and I'm delighted with the way this has worked. I'm also delighted to see that the children are engaging so well with their online learning platforms at home and despite this being a difficult and testing time, the children continue to astound me with the work they have been producing. If you or your child are struggling with online learning at home then please do contact your child's class teacher for support and if you do not have the appropriate computer equipment, please do contact us at school and we will assist you.

Given the announcement on Monday evening, we are now envisaging these arrangements continuing for the foreseeable future. I have therefore decided to relax the school uniform requirement for children attending school during this time and so, from Monday, the children are allowed to attend school in their own clothes should you wish. Cooked lunches continue to be available for those who want them. Please note that if the children are attending school then they will need their PE kits for lessons with Mr Thacker and forest school clothing every Friday for sessions with Mrs Murray. Please note that next week PE lessons will be on Monday rather than Tuesday.

At the moment we have around 20% of the school population attending each day which is slightly above the county average for primary schools at the current time. Please note that when possible you should keep your children at home if you are a Key Worker to ensure we can cater effectively for all those families who rely on this service; thank you for your co-operation with this matter.

If you have something confidential you wish to discuss with your child's class teacher then please do feel free to email them and their email addresses can be found at the end of this letter. In addition to this we have two members of staff who have particular responsibilities for specific groups of children. Mrs Brown (SENCO) and Mrs Pearson (Pupil Welfare Leader) work with individual children for a wide range of reasons and, if your child works with either of these members of staff, please do feel free to contact them should you need guidance or advice.

Class Teachers may wish to make contact with you personally to check on the children's progress or to touch base to see how things are going at home. Please don't be alarmed if a member of staff makes contact with you as it is purely part of the regular ongoing communication between home and school. Some classes will also be setting up video links via Zoom to connect the classes together and, if they are, you will need to give consent for this via 'Zoom Acceptable Use' section on the Parent Portal in Arbor. Please note that if you do not give consent for this to happen then we will be unable to facilitate these sessions. Further details will be sent out by class teachers when appropriate.

We have set up a system whereby you can swap your child's reading books should you wish. We have cleared the Lost Property Container and ask that you drop your child's reading books off in a plastic bag or wallet along with their reading record if they have one. We will then collect the books at 10am each morning and deposit the new books back into the Lost Property Container by 4pm that afternoon for you to collect. If your child is a free reader and not on our reading scheme then please do let me know what type of book your child would like to read next and I will do my best to find a book that will interest them.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend break.

Many thanks and best wishes,

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