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Risk Assessment Update

Dear Parents,

This weekend's news has brought about a mixed bag of emotions as we find ourselves once again in this uncertain situation.

While it has been wonderful to see all our children back after the half term break, enjoying seeing their friends, teachers and embarking on the next learning challenge from their teachers, we are aware that some changes need to be made to our risk assessment to keep everyone safe, happy and learning during this next lockdown.

We have loved seeing children's smiling faces these last two mornings, their eagerness to learn and the level of responsibility they continue to show about the safety measures. However, this has not happened by accident or without a considerable effort from everyone involved, including yourselves.

We are expecting further guidance from the Department for Education later this week and will update you with any further changes if necessary.

Thank you also, for your continued support for our control measures, which we do recognise are not always easy or convenient.

Please note that from Thursday 5th November:

- It will be mandatory to wear a face mask when entering our school site and when accessing the building as an agreed visitor.
- Visitors to the office continue to be by appointment only. Please direct any enquires or correspondence to the admin office via email.
- Visitors entering the building will be able to scan our QR code to update their NHS Covid-19 app.
- Should you or your children require a test and therefore need to isolate, confirmation of the test results will need to be emailed to adminoffice@nightingale.hants.sch.uk.
- Keep to drop off and pick up times as strictly as possible to avoid larger crowds than necessary and to keep your child with you, not letting them run around with other children.

- Maintain social distance from other parents and adults at pick up and drop off. One parent or carer only to drop off and pick up.
- Maintain social distance from class teachers and staff at all times.
- Take bikes or scooters home with you if your child is Year R-5.
- If your child is in KS2 and responsible enough to be dropped at one of our school gates to make their own way to their line in the morning, then please do so to reduce the numbers of people we have on site.
- Year 4 drop off and collection, parents can continue to enter via the Aviary Gate but can now exit via Jackdaw Rise to avoid the pinch point at our Aviary gate.
- Year 2 will continue to drop off at their current location but we will be trialling a new pick-up point from the picket fence on the small playground. We hope this will maximise space and keep the Jackdaw Rise exit clear at the end of the day. We request that Year 2 parents please stand back around the area they are currently dropped off the maintain distance.
- Breakfast Club and Energy Kidz will continue to operate as normal. However, from Thursday 5th November, all other after school clubs will be suspended until further notice.

We will continue to prioritise the wellbeing and long-term futures of our children and young people and in line with the current announcements, will not be closing. It remains very important for children and young people to attend, to support their wellbeing and education and help working parents and guardians. I would also like to reassure parents that we continue to engage with the DfE and Public Health England.

Senior clinicians still advise that school is the best place for children to be, and so they should continue to go to school. Our usual monitoring around school attendance will continue.

Thank you for supporting us with all the measures we have put in place. It has been incredibly challenging to deliver such a fantastic education whilst balancing complex control measures throughout the school. I am sure you will join me in thanking all of our community here at Nightingale for the herculean effort in keeping everyone safe, happy and learning in school!

Yours sincerely and with best wishes,



Mrs Hannah Beckett
Headteacher