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Dear Parents and Carers,

ICT Updates

During the summer holidays Partnership Education will be working hard in school, to install networking cabling that will withhold our planned increase for Wi-Fi based devices, such as Interactive White Boards and Chromebooks. We have also purchased a Clever Touch whiteboard for each class, which will improve the quality of teacher modelling and resources used, to support teaching and learning.

Environment Project

We are very excited to share that the order for new tables and chairs has been submitted, and with our anticipated stable internet and up to date interactive whiteboards, our classrooms will be transformational!

The only part of our Environment Project plan that we do not have the resources to complete in time for September, is the painting and decorating of some of the classrooms. We have 6 classrooms that we would love to be painted and freshened up, ready to welcome our children back in September.

With that in mind, we have a very unusual request ... we are organising an Environment Volunteer Week, whereby we very gratefully, open the school doors to community volunteers, who would be happy to spare some time painting the classrooms with us. If you are available to support us, week commencing 6th August, please complete this [google form](#). We cannot thank you enough!

We have the highest of standards for our learning environment, because we have the highest of expectations for the wonderful learning, that we want our children to enjoy.

COVID-19 Updates

At step 4 it is no longer recommended that it is necessary to keep children in consistent groups ('bubbles'). The guidance points out that schools may wish to continue with

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these measures until the end of the summer term, this is also the advice from Central Bedfordshire Public Health. We will therefore continue as before until the end of term.

In September, we would no longer need to make alternative arrangements to avoid mixing at lunch and whilst we hope to be able to operate in this way, we will only make these changes if it is advised that it is safe to do so.

The guidance is clear that we will need to make sure our outbreak management plans cover the possibility that in some local areas it may become necessary to reintroduce 'bubbles' for a temporary period, to reduce mixing between groups.

Control measures

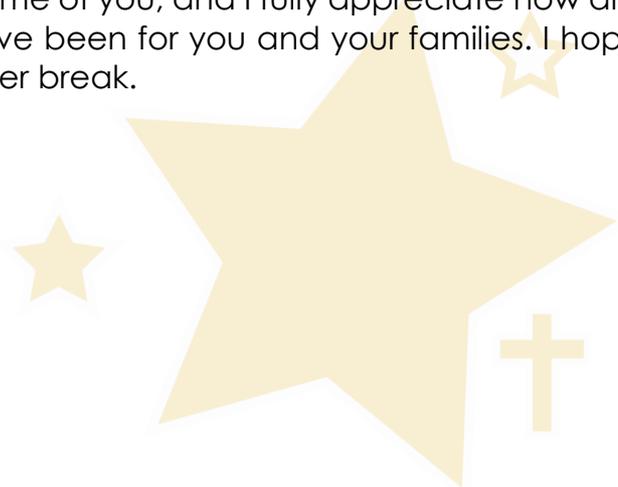
We will continue to follow the guidance as follows:

1. Ensure good hygiene for everyone.
2. Maintain appropriate cleaning regimes (for us, this will include keeping the additional cleaning routines we currently have in place in September)
3. Keep occupied spaces well ventilated.
4. Follow public health advice on testing, self-isolation and managing confirmed cases of COVID-19.

Thank you once again for your support throughout the pandemic. It has been wonderful to read some of your messages and speak to some of you, and I fully appreciate how difficult some of the recent isolation periods must have been for you and your families. I hope we are able to enjoy a peaceful and safe summer break.

Yours sincerely,

Colette Lamb
Headteacher



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