



Dear Parents and Carers,

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I hope you have all had a great summer, the weather did finally come good! We're looking forward to welcoming the children back into school on Monday 6th September, especially those starting in reception throughout that first week.

In preparation for the start of term I have attached our new COVID-19 Outbreak Management Plan. This document outlines what the school aims to do in the event of an outbreak of COVID-19 in the setting now we are no longer required to maintain bubble systems, mask wearing or social distancing within school as part of Step 4 of the government's road map which is about learning to live with COVID-19. Please do read through the document as it also outlines how Cornwall Council expects us to handle positive cases in the setting. This is shown by the flowchart on the final page. Here are some key reminders about how confirmed or suspected COVID-19 cases are now managed.

Taken from our Outbreak Management Plan:

Who needs to isolate?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Anyone who has a positive PCR test for COVID-19● Anyone who has symptoms and is awaiting a PCR test result● Anyone who has a positive lateral flow test result and is awaiting a PCR test result.● Close contacts who are contacted by NHS test and trace who are not fully vaccinated.● Close contacts who are contacted by NHS test and trace who have or develop symptoms themselves (they will then need to book a PCR test)
Who does not need to isolate?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Close contacts of a positive case (including family members) who are children (18 and under).● Close contacts of a positive case who are fully vaccinated.● Close contacts of a case who are awaiting a PCR test result and do not have symptoms.
Who decides who is a close contact?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● NHS Test and Trace now do all the close contact tracing.● Schools will assist if required.

What do I do if my child has symptoms?

1. Book a PCR test for the child and isolate them.
2. Contact the school to let them know and get advice on home learning
3. Family members who don't have symptoms do not have to be isolated if they are children or fully vaccinated adults unless NHS test and trace asks them to.

What do I do if another family member tests positive?

1. Your children must still attend school unless they develop symptoms themselves.
2. Adults in your household don't need to be isolated if they are fully vaccinated unless they develop symptoms.

What happens if there is a positive case in my child's class?

1. The child / adult that is positive will be isolated at home.
2. The class will continue as normal unless the case is one of a bigger outbreak. In this case the school will follow its outbreak management plan and may introduce further protections like bubbles, mask wearing or other social distancing measures. The school would seek advice from the DFE.
3. We will inform parents when there is a positive case in your child's class.

Onto more interesting stuff...

The teachers have organised an exciting start back to school with various events planned for the children to help them settle into their new classes and get to know their teacher. As you may well know, we usually camp during these first few weeks with our older children (Years 3 - 6). This year, each class will be camping for 1 night on the dates below. Full details will follow in a letter from the class teachers. A kit list will follow but children in Years 3 -6 will require a sleeping bag and sleeping mat for their camping trip.

Camping dates:

Date	Year Group	Class
Monday 13th September	Year 5	Pirates
Tuesday 14th September	Year 5	Buccaneers
Wednesday 15th September	Year 4	Jesters
Thursday 16th (TBC)	Year 6	Both Kings and Giants classes
Tuesday 21st September	Year 4	Knights
Wednesday 22nd September	Year 3	Trolls
Thursday 23rd September	Year 3	Unicorns

Years 1 and 2 will also be heading out on some adventures in the first couple of weeks. Again, these details will follow in a letter from the class teacher during the first week.

Below are some of our key priorities for the coming year:

- To continue to develop the way we teach the humanities, focussing on geography and developing a primary curriculum for the teaching of natural history.
- To improve children's oracy through the Voice 21 project.
- To manage effectively the final stage of growth for our ARB from 20 -30 pupils.
- To develop the outdoor environment for the Early Years.

A few staffing reminders / updates:

We welcome back Mel Wells, our Assistant Head, from her maternity leave. I'm sure you will see her around the playgrounds in the mornings. We also welcome back Kerry Poole from her maternity leave who is returning to teach in Year 2. We have a few new members of staff we welcome to the TLA team:

Sophie Norman begins working in the two year old room in our Nursery, Jasmine Oak and Fiona Herbert have joined the teaching team in the ARB classes. Amy Jenkins will be teaching in the Little Bears class every Friday.

We will hold our usual 'meet the teacher' information meetings for each class during the first few weeks of term. We will email out Zoom links for these shortly. During these meetings we will go through everything from timetables to homework and any questions you may have.

Enjoy the weekend ahead,

See you all in the playgrounds for drop off /collection soon,

Will Johnson
(Head Teacher)