19th October 2020

Dear parents and carers

I am writing to tell you about some changes that we have made to your child's day, and why we have made the changes.

In September we organised the children into year group 'bubbles' at playtime and lunchtime. This meant that the whole year group went out to play together. The children played very happily. They loved all the physical games and also enjoyed mixing with their friends.

However, the government tells us that infection rate are going up again. We recently had to send home a year group bubble of 90 children and 9 staff. So we have decided to change the way we organise playtimes and exercise times.

Every morning each class will have 30 minutes of exercise time. An LSA will lead this. The teachers will have their break during exercise time. We want to make exercise fun, so children are very active physically. Coach Martin is leading training for LSAs on this.

At lunch time the children will sit on a table with the rest of their class. The year group will be in the lunch hall at the same time but all class tables will be 2m apart.

After lunch the children will go back to their classrooms to play quiet games or watch a video until lessons start.

We hope in this way to reduce further the risk of infection in the school. If we do have to send a bubble home, it will only affect 30 children rather than the whole year group of 90 or 120 children.

Thank you for your continuing support for the school. I want to reassure you that the children are all working hard, always striving to achieve highly. They are well behaved and respectful. They seem settled and resilient. They are a credit to you.

Best wishes

Liz Hayward Headteacher