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Dear parents and carers

As we have now completed the first month of our new school year I am writing to thank you for your help and support in settling your children back into school routines. While many aspects of how we operate as a school have changed due to Covid-19 restrictions both staff and pupils have adapted well and I am pleased to report that the school is once again alive with the sound of lessons and learning. It is a pleasure to see our young people playing and having fun together at recreation time after their prolonged and enforced absence last summer term. I truly believe it is best for our pupils to be back with us both for their education and for their mental health. I understand though that some of you may have concerns with both the regional and national news reporting rises in the prevalence of Corona virus in Merseyside and I urge you all to help us remain operational by following the government guidance within your household and wider community and ensuring your child washes/sterilises their hands before and after school and has a face covering with them every day.

I have previously sent guidance around self-isolation in the event of symptoms or a positive corona-virus test and refer you back to that document [here](#).

I also urge you to support us in building the children's confidence and skillset for online learning by encouraging them to access and complete their homework using Microsoft teams.

Staff have also been setting work on MS Teams for those pupils who have been self-isolating due to household symptoms and all pupils in school have been provided with an exercise book to take home which they can use to complete their work in the event of self-isolation or remote learning. We have also asked all pupils to complete a survey identifying access to IT infrastructure and we are working to ensure that all of our children have the necessary equipment to engage fully with this new technology. If your family faces barriers accessing e-learning please contact us and we will do our best to support in any way we can.

I wish you a please weekend and look forward to greeting the children again on Monday

Yours sincerely

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