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Re: Bubble Arrangements

Dear Parents/Carers,

As you are aware, there has been an increase in positive COVID-19 cases within the school community in the last week. We currently have staff and children from across school self-isolating after having 'contact' with confirmed cases. We continue to work closely with Public Health and follow advice and guidance to ensure the safety of all members of our school community.

To minimise contact and further reduce the risk of transmission, we are **now** implementing 'class bubbles'. This presents us many challenges as a large Primary School, with three classes in each year group. However, we feel it is necessary to protect our children and staff and lessen the impact on school and at home following the increase in positive cases.

What we will do:

- Keep children in their classes and classrooms.
- Provide zones on the playgrounds for each class. These will be used at playtime and lunchtime. Children will also be encouraged to wait in these zones if they arrive at school early (Not relevant for Year 3 and 4 at present).
- Children who have school dinners will continue to use the Halls, but will be kept apart from children from other classes.
- We will continue to deliver year group worship in the Halls, but again, classes will be kept apart.
- At home time, children will be dismissed from shared doors in classes, one class at a time (KS2 only).
- Children who access Kidz Klub will be organised into class groups / tables and will not mix with other classes.

What you can do:

- Continue to respect social distancing when on the school premises and only enter the school building if you have a prearranged meeting.
- Ensure that your child maintains social distancing, particularly with children from other classes, during drop off and pick up times.
- If your child has been asked to self-isolate, ensure that they do not have contact with anyone other than household members. Please make alternative arrangements to drop off or collect a sibling from school (Children who are self-isolating should not leave their home).

Many thanks for your continued support and co-operation during these challenging times.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. Colothan
Headteacher

