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Dear Parents and Carers,

I wanted to touch base with you following the Prime Minister's address to the nation on Saturday and following further guidance/information that we have received on Wednesday afternoon.

As you all know the Prime Minister has instructed for the country to go into a second lockdown. As an educational body we as a school will remain open unless instructed by Local/National Government to do otherwise. As such we need your help and vigilance to keep all our school community safe during these four weeks. Within my previous correspondence and newsletters, I have shared with you the organisation procedures to keep all members of the community as safe as possible.

At this time, it is more important than ever to work together as a school family and adhere to all the organisational procedures to keep all pupils, parents and staff safe.

From Tuesday 10th November 2020 the following organisational procedures will be added to those shared with you on 14.7.2020 and 28.8.2020.

- All adults entering school site must wear a mask, failure to do so may result in entry to school site being denied. If you are exempt from wearing a mask, please make yourself known to a member of the Senior Leadership Team or alternatively contact the school Covid19 email address C-19queries@danson.bexley.sch.uk.
- Only one parent is permitted onsite to drop off/collect your child. Please note that as all children know the routes they can be presented by you at the school gate to a member of staff and come onto site without an adult.
- Children (particularly in EYFS and KS1) should have their belongings on their person before entering the school gate to enable them to walk straight to their lines without any delay. This will alleviate any congestion at the class lines.
- Parents are not to wait onsite while their child drops their bike/scooter to the allocated scooter/bike racks/areas before walking to their class lines.

Feedback from parents

We have received feedback from parents who have shared that not all of our school family are following the organisational procedures at the start and end of the school day. Please ensure you are adhering to the following procedures to keep all pupils, parents and staff safe.

- Please ensure you arrive to school at the staggered times that have been set to enable all year group bubbles to enter/exit the school building separately to keep all pupils, parents and staff safe.
- We would respectfully request that you join your specific year groups lines and not to congregate/jump the cue.
- Please ensure that you remain socially distant in the queue.
- Please wear your face mask if you are unable to remain socially distant.

Dansington Road Entrance

To reduce number of parents on Dansington Road we will extend the walking route on school site. Staff will guide you when this first begins. All adults and children who enter school site must and will be reminded to remain socially distant when en route.

We will continue to review the current procedures/systems over the coming weeks.

We understand that with lockdown and the hardships that come financially at Christmas, food support may prove difficult. Please feel free to have a confidential chat to Mrs Stevens, Mrs Hunter or myself. We are here and will try our best to help and support you.

I would also like to take this opportunity to again thank you, our parents, for your continued support of Danson Primary School, it really does mean so much to all the staff and provides a welcome boost in these difficult days.

Please continue to follow the Government guidelines about staying at home and social distancing. As always, please know we are all in this together as a Danson family. Take care and stay safe.

Yours sincerely,

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