

FOREFIELD MATTERS

A WEEKLY NEWSLETTER FOR THE FJS COMMUNITY

9th October 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am looking forward to the week when there are no references to Covid-19 in Forefield Matters, but once again, as I am writing this, we are awaiting government announcements regarding new restrictions in our region.

We are relieved to have all of our classes back in school, but as I mentioned a couple of weeks ago, several members of staff (particularly those with young children) are affected by the partial closure of other schools and nursery provision. In the absence of a class teacher, teaching assistant or member of the welfare staff, we always aim to limit the number of adults working within each POD and wherever possible, only use our own staff to provide cover. There are however schools dealing with outbreaks where several positive cases have resulted in the majority of staff and pupils needing to self-isolate.

As you will appreciate, we are responding daily to both 'suspected' and 'confirmed' cases within school and the wider community and each hour brings news of loved ones admitted to hospital or updates to their condition. We also receive several alerts each day from Sefton, informing us of the latest school closures. All of this puts additional strain on everyone – both parents and staff. I am filled with admiration for my team, who put aside their own cares and worries each day in order to provide a nurturing and calm environment for the children. Clearly, from the kind words on the playground and messages via email and SeeSaw, this has not gone unnoticed. Thank you for your continued support – it is greatly appreciated and helps to lift our spirits when the news is often gloomy!

Each week we are learning more and more ... may I remind you:

IF ANYONE IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD IS SHOWING SYMPTOMS, YOU SHOULD NOT SEND YOUR CHILD TO SCHOOL. DO NOT WAIT FOR A POSITIVE TEST RESULT, ISOLATE AS SOON AS SYMPTOMS DEVELOP.

DO NOT RELY ON TRACK & TRACE TO INFORM SCHOOL OF A POSITIVE CASE – PLEASE INFORM US STRAIGHT AWAY.

Usually at this time we would be arranging appointment times for Parents' Evening, but for obvious reasons we are currently looking into how technology can be used to facilitate this.

Thank you.



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