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Dear parents,

We are pleased to be welcoming back some year groups to school next week.

- This week, children in years two and three have been in school all week.
- On Monday, we will welcome back children in the nursery, reception and year 5 classes.
- On Wednesday, we will welcome back children in year 4.
- On Friday, we will welcome back children in year 1 and year 6.
- The care club will remain closed next week.

27th November 2020

An additional Covid-19 test for those staff who are self isolating will ensure their safe return to school.

Covid-19 is still prevalent in the local community. It is important that children do not come to school if they display any of the symptoms and that they arrange to have a test.

The main symptoms are:

- **a high temperature** – this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back (you do not need to measure your temperature)
- **a new, continuous cough** – this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough, it may be worse than usual)
- **a loss or change to your sense of smell or taste** – this means you've noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

If you are displaying any of these, you need to self-isolate and arrange to have a test. Testing can be arranged by calling 119 or via the NHS website: nhs.uk/coronavirus

Further information is also available at nhs.uk/coronavirus or by phoning 111.

Staffordshire County Council have arranged for people to have tests if they are showing any of the following symptoms:

- Headaches
- Aches and pains
- Feeling very tired for no good reason
- Sore throat
- Runny nose
- Sneezing
- Sometimes 'tummy ache' in children

To book one of these tests, go onto the government Covid-19 test website, click that you do not have symptoms, then that you are not part of a trial and finally click on the test requested by the council option.

There are things we can all do to help reduce the risk of you and anyone you live with getting ill with COVID-19:

- wash your hands with soap and water often – do this for at least 20 seconds
- use hand sanitiser gel if soap and water are not available
- wash your hands as soon as you get home
- cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when you cough or sneeze
- put used tissues in the bin immediately and wash your hands afterwards
- keep a social distance from each other.

Year 6 Standon Bowers visit— this was supposed to happen next week and has been cancelled. We are trying to re-arrange this for January.

All day breakfast school dinner

The children that had the all day breakfast this week for lunch, really enjoyed it. We are therefore going to repeat it for lunch on Tuesday 15th December.

The menu will be:

- Pork or Quorn sausage
- Bacon
- Omelette
- Hash Brown
- Baked Beans
- Toast
- Pudding—Chocolate orange crispy bar, fruit slices, yogurt

Christmas Festive Bubble Party Dinner

As we are unable to get all of the children into the hall at lunchtime, we will be having Christmas party sandwich boxes on the last day of term (18th December). The children will be able to enjoy these together, with a party atmosphere, in their classrooms.

Samaritan Purse Shoe Box Appeal



Thank you for all of the shoe boxes that were donated to the school. They were collected this week and will make some children very happy at Christmas.

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