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UPDATED RISK ASSESSMENT – COVID-19 SECOND LOCKDOWN

Dear Parents/Carers,

In light of the government announcement at the weekend explaining the need for a second lockdown and subsequent updated guidance, we have reviewed our COVID-19 risk assessment and made some required changes, in addition to the measures already in place. The changes are as follows:

-No external providers on site for extra-curricular activities. At this point, this will impact the following:

- *1-1 piano lessons (Mrs Gordon will be sending a separate letter to parents of affected children with details of alternative arrangements);*
- *KS1 Yoga Club (please note this will now be delivered via Zoom by Mrs Greenhill and will be supervised by Mrs Griffiths. The session will still take place in school 3-4pm on a Tuesday);*
- *Group violin lessons (we are currently liaising with Severn Arts in relation to alternative arrangements and will update parents of affected children as soon as possible).*

-No face-to-face visits to the school for prospective parents. We will be offering Zoom meetings, with a view to booking in visits once measures allow. If you know of any families considering Himbleton, we ask that you please help us with spreading this message.

-Visitors to the school site will be limited to those that are absolutely essential for health and safety reasons or to enable the provision of educational entitlement for our children e.g. engineers, plumbers, educational psychologists etc. Visits will be scheduled when children are off-site as far as is possible. Any necessary visitors will wear a face covering.

-PE kit should be worn to school for the full day on scheduled PE days for this period. Kits do not need to be in school on any other day. These are currently as follows:

- EYFS – Tuesday;
- Key Stage One – Friday;
- Key Stage Two – Monday.

-Please send a named plastic bag into school with your child on Monday. We will be using these to separate Forest School clothing for storage in school.

Please note, after a detailed discussion, we have concluded that the educational benefit of taking reading books home warrants that this will continue at this time. However, if your family feels strongly

that you do not wish reading books to be sent home during this period, please do inform your child's teacher.

To confirm, we will continue to require all adults to wear a face covering at drop off and collection times. This includes Breakfast Club and After School Care. If you are dropping off at Breakfast Club or collecting from After School Care, we ask that you wait outside the door to the conservatory and a staff member will bring your child to you. Staff will sign the children in and out of the provision for this period.

Please be assured that our COVID-19 risk assessment is regularly reviewed and we will update you of any further changes as and when necessary.

We recognise just how challenging a second lockdown will be for families. Please know that we are here to support you and your children in the best way that we can. If you would like to discuss any issues that might arise, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Best wishes,

Mrs Martin