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Re: Covid Update

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been such a lovely start to the academic year. We have enjoyed having parents coming into school for our library sessions and were looking forward to our first curriculum event on Thursday.

Following the confirmation of two positive cases in school, I sought advice from the Local Authority yesterday and we are following their guidance. They are pleased with all the measures we already have in place in school and asked us to send a letter to the parents of pupils in the classes where positive cases have been identified, which we have done.

In line with the latest DfE guidance, we continue to follow all the measures we currently have in place, including ensuring good hygiene routines are in place for everyone, maintaining appropriate cleaning regimes, keeping classrooms well ventilated and following public health advice on testing, self-isolation and managing confirmed cases of COVID-19.

As we have had a few confirmed cases in school, we think it pertinent to postpone parent events in school for the time being. We are disappointed about this, but we will review this in two weeks' time, continue to take advice from the Local Authority and keep parents informed. Library sessions with parents, for now, will be cancelled. We will let you know when we are able to resume these sessions.

The planned KS1 Reading Curriculum Event, that was due to go ahead tomorrow, will unfortunately need to be postponed and the new date will be confirmed once we have been able to review the situation in a couple of weeks' time. Mrs. Williams is going to produce a 'virtual meeting' for parents and will share this with you before the end of the week. The meeting will include information about reading books, reading diaries and homework.

With regards to the Year 1 trip next week, we are taking advice from the Local Authority, but we thought it was important to inform parents that it may not be able to go ahead. We will confirm this with Year 1 parents directly via message on Thursday.

I am sure, like us, you are disappointed to hear this but understand our rationale and reasoning behind postponing these planned events. We recognise how difficult the past 18 months have been and the sacrifices that all families and education have had to make. This has been a challenging time for everyone, and we would like to take the opportunity to thank you for everything you have done, and continue to do, to support our Violet Way pupils.

Your faithfully, Mrs Kee











