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Dear Parents,

Re: Starfish return

You will be aware that the Government has announced that ALL children will return to school in September. We are very much looking forward to having you all back but as you would expect there are going to be stipulations attached to the return. In this letter I will try to give you as much information as I can.

However, as Government guidelines are changing and updating all the time, we will endeavour to keep you up to date with the most recent information we have.

The school will work in bubbles to limit the amount of contact adults and children have with each other within the school. Starfish will be in its own bubble.

How Starfish will run;

Before Arrival at school	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Current guidance states that children do not need to wear a mask.● Children will need to have thoroughly washed their hands before leaving home.● Children will need to bring spare clothes with them in case they need to be changed whilst at school.● Children need to have a named plastic water bottle that will be taken home everyday to be cleaned.● Food items will need to be easily accessible in their lunch bags to minimise adult help at lunchtime.● Children should be accompanied by one adult only.● If walking to school please adhere to social distancing.
Arriving on school site	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Please arrive no earlier than 9am at the gate.● Follow social distancing guidance when waiting for the gate to be opened.● Follow the signs and markings around the school.

Entering Starfish	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● There will be a one way system in and out of Starfish. There will be signs around Starfish. ● An adult will be on the gate with hand gel for parents/carers. ● When an adult opens the gate you will be asked to wait on the barked area to help with social distancing. There will only be one parent/carer allowed into Starfish classroom at a time. ● When bringing your child into class, you may help them put their belongings away and they will then need to wash their hands. ● Once your child is settled and choosing, you can then leave down the ramp. ● The dropping off still needs to be as prompt as possible. ● If your child needs support to settle you may stay with them, adhering to social distancing.
During the day	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● There will be reminders of good personal hygiene, and encouragement to wash hands regularly especially before/after eating, after using the toilet, and after being outside. ● Toilets will be cleaned after each child has used it and reminded to wash hands thoroughly after. ● During lunchtime children will be spaced out. ● We will have outside and inside open after the gate is locked to try and help social distancing. ● Increased cleaning throughout the day.
Pick Up	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● There will be the same one way system in place for collecting your child as the morning. ● Hand gel will be available at the gate. ● You will be let in and asked to wait on the barked area to help with social distancing and we will release children from Starfish classroom. ● Children will wash their hands and then pick up their belongings. ● We will ask you to collect your child from the door and exit via the ramp.

What should you do if your child is displaying COVID Symptoms?

If your child or anyone in your household displays any of the symptoms (see below) your child should not attend school. You must immediately follow all the advice on the NHS website and inform the school. If your child or a member of your household tests positive for the Coronavirus you must inform the school immediately and share this information with the [NHS test and trace service](#). If you have been contacted by the NHS test and trace service and have been asked to self-isolate due to contact with a confirmed case of COVID19, you must inform the school immediately.

If a child becomes unwell whilst at school they will be removed from their 'Bubble Base' and you will be called to collect them as soon as possible. Staff who have to interact with an unwell child will wear PPE - a facemask, visor, gloves and an apron.

If anyone within a Bubble tests positive for Coronavirus or has been asked by the NHS test and trace service to self isolate the whole Bubble will be sent home and will be required to self isolate for 14 days.

Symptoms - (information taken from the [NHS website](#))

The main symptoms of the Coronavirus are:

High temperature - this means you feel hot to touch on your chest or back

New continuous cough - this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more episodes in 24 hours.

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.

Yours Sincerely

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