

## PEEL COMMON Community Junior School

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## Dear Parents and Carers

Following on from my letter last week with some updates and guidance due to increasing coronavirus numbers in the community and in school. I am writing again to inform you of the measures that we will be putting in place to ensure that all of us are able to have a successful and self-isolation free half term.

All classrooms are remaining well ventilated with both windows and doors being opened during lesson times and at break times so that the air flow through the room is good. As the weather gets colder, you may wish to send your child in with extra layers.

Hand washing and hand sanitisers are part of everyday routines and the teachers are stressing the importance of this with their classes. We have had lots of colds over the last few weeks for both children and staff and we have been encouraging the "catch it, bin it, kill it" mantra for everyone in school.

As yet, we haven't had to revert to year group bubbles although I feel that this may be on the horizon. As a preventative measure, I am going to ask staff to wear masks as they move about school again and please ensure that you wear a mask if you are coming into the school building.

At present, we still want to go ahead with Parents evening as the uptake has been great, you all want to talk about your child as much as we want to talk to you about your child! However, if we continue to get positive cases within school, we may need to look at a different model such as virtual meetings or reports as we did last year. We will make a decision on Monday and let you know.

We are still receiving phone calls from parents querying whether they should send their child to school. We would always advise that you know your child best and if they have any of the three key symptoms: new continuous cough, high temperature or a headache then we would advise that you take them for a PCR test. Some of the other symptoms seem to be a stomach ache, headache or a sore throat.

I have spoken to the children today about being covid resilient and that there may be some changes we need to implement so that we can all remain safe.

Thank you for your support.

Best wishes,

Mrs Z Dudley Head teacher







