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Dear Parent/Carer

17th January 2022

INFORMATON REGARDING ADDITIONAL MEASURES IN SCHOOL

I am writing to inform you that there have been a number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 within the school within the Sapphire Learning Zone. The number of positive tests have reached the Action Threshold of 5 which requires me to take further additional measures to protect our staff and children.

The school remains open and children will continue to attend as normal if they remain well.

In line with our Outbreak Management plan, which all schools are required by the DfE to have in place, we will be taking the following measures:

- Sapphire Learning Zone will become a separate bubble and staff and children will remain in that bubble until further notice.
- If you child is at all unwell, please carry out a lateral flow test and inform the school of the result before bringing them into school.
- If there is a significant increase in numbers of positive cases we may need to implement the requirement for testing daily.
- Collective Worship – will continue without Sapphire attending – they will have Collective worship in their classroom.
- 10.10am till 10.30am Sapphire will have their playtime on the big yard while the rest of school are in Collective Worship.
- Lunchtime – Sapphire to be separated on one half of the hall for their lunch at 11.50 and then will go outside to play on the EYFS yard until 12.45.
- Afternoon play will be 2.00pm – 2.15pm for Sapphire and everyone else at the normal time.
- After School Childcare and Clubs – Children from the Sapphire Learning Zone will be unable to attend any after school provision.
- Non-essential activities – these will be cancelled until further notice (including the Panto planned for 18th January 2022) and we will advise you further about specific activities where this is the case.

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If you have any queries or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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Head Teacher

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