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Dear Parent / Carers,

It has been a busy start to the year – the children have started their new ‘themes’ and have shown real interest and enthusiasm for their learning. Some children have started the year already achieving their handwriting pen and others have set themselves aspirational targets for this term. I know they will do all they can to achieve them.

We have had an issue with our communication systems at points over the last few days - we have been working with different agencies and this is now resolved. Thank you for your patience during this time.

There have been some quick changes to self-isolation rules since term began. As you are aware, there have been some significant announcements this week around changes in rules and we are waiting for further guidance for schools. Although cases are dropping nationally, we like many other primary schools, have seen case numbers rise. This week we have had an increased number of cases in a couple of year groups. These are now reducing but we need to remain vigilant to ensure that transmission rates remain as low as possible. Therefore, we continue to ask and emphasise the importance of the following:

- Accessing PCR tests for children who are displaying COVID symptoms.
- Completing Lateral Flow tests for 7 days if identified as a close contact. Thank you to the parents who have completed these this week as this has helped identify further cases promptly and helped reduce transmission significantly.
- Keeping children at home if they are unwell – many of the cases we have seen recently have begun with a sore throat, cold, headache or stomach upset.
- Wearing masks on site - as we currently have higher number of cases, this is still important.

I understand that this can be frustrating for both you as parents and the children; however, we all want the children to be in school learning as much as possible so we ask that you continue to follow these requests. I will write again as and when the situation changes or we receive further guidance. As always, we are looking forward to the time when school can return to pre COVID! If you require any support regarding close contact or isolation information, please contact us via the school office.

This week we have been focusing on the City of Culture theme – ‘Coventry in the World’. We have been celebrating our city and the people who live here. We have thought about where we were born and where our families originate. We have also celebrated the languages we know and the customs and traditions that we have. I have many lovely examples of work in my office because of this and know each class has thoroughly enjoyed delving deeper into how we are all unique.

Have a restful weekend,

G. Franklin

Mrs G. Franklin
Headteacher

