Friday 15th January 2021,

Good afternoon everyone,

I hope that you are all ok and are keeping safe. I want to start by saying a big well done to you all, and a big thank you to your parents. I have just had a catch up with all of your teachers regarding remote learning and it is wonderful to hear that so many of you are doing a great job of this and working very hard. The teachers are very impressed with your efforts, and so am I.

I’ve said this before and I’ll say it again - we must promote and encourage that all remote learning is completed but we do understand that it is an incredibly difficult challenge, especially for those of you that have children in different year groups and are also trying to work from home at the same time. Please remember that the teachers and I are here to help you wherever we can.

At the moment there is not a great deal of new information to share with you. Our risk assessment has been updated and is currently under consultation with staff; I expect to be able to publish this to you by Wednesday next week.

Our new gate barrier has now been installed. It is not fully operational yet, we still need to link the access panel to the fob system that we have in school. This may take a couple of weeks. Once it is in operation the barrier will be down during hours that the office is open (8.30am – 4.15pm). It will be operated via an intercom system to the office during these hours. Please remember that unless there are exceptional circumstances or prior agreement that parents should not use the car park. Outside of these hours (Kidspace and Holiday clubs) the barrier will be open.

It was lovely to see many of you (eventually) in the Zoom meeting on Monday morning. I have set another one up for next Monday (18th) at 9.30am.

Have a lovely weekend everyone. Stay safe, keep well and we’ll see you very soon.

Yours sincerely,

Simon Dyson

Principal