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Dear Parents/Carers,

### **Reception Closure**

Yesterday, we had to close the Reception bubble (all 3 classes) for the week because of excessive staff absences. Even though there are **no confirmed cases** at the school, a number of staff were nevertheless sent home due to displaying symptoms of Covid-19, or they had to self-isolate because someone in their household was displaying symptoms of Covid-19. It is crucial that all members of society are following guidance from Public Health England and taking all precautions necessary.

We understand the disruption this will cause families and children in Reception classes, and we hope to reopen Reception as soon as possible.

We are communicating this information school-wide, so all members of the school community are aware of what is going on in their school. Rest assured that if there is a positive case in the school then we will make you aware.

### **Face Coverings**

School staff have worked very hard to ensure that children could return to school this month, and it remains vital for all children to be in school to help minimise the longer-term impact of the pandemic on their education, wellbeing and wider development.

However, you will have seen the worrying news that cases of Covid-19 have been increasing locally, so it has never been more important that you do your bit in reducing the risk of transmitting the virus. Please follow social distancing rules at the school gate and in the playground. Parents should also wear face masks or face coverings, both at the school gate and in the playground. These measures are there to ensure the safety of your child, the staff, and the wider community.

Yours sincerely,

Raheel Akhtar  
Headteacher

