OCKLYNGE JUNIOR SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/ Carers,

We have just entered a second national lockdown: thankfully, the restrictions are less stringent than last time. We are aware that incidents of Covid 19 are rising in East Sussex so we are strictly implementing the government guidelines to ensure the safety of pupils, staff and any parents on site. Nothing has changed at school, but I just want to remind you of what we are doing.

We will continue to teach the curriculum as we are now, keeping as close as possible to our broad curriculum outline. The staff have been very creative and imaginative to ensure that all children have a range of engaging experiences and learning opportunities. Children continue to have their own equipment, whenever possible so minimising contact and any cross contamination. Any shared equipment is regularly sanitised or quarantined.

We ask children to wash or sanitise their hands before, after play and lunch, and at change of activities. Tables are wiped frequently to minimise transmission. Staff also wash their hands and use sanitiser regularly. We do not wear masks in the classrooms, but we do in any communal areas.

This time, the government has said that schools offering wraparound care can continue to do so as long as we can staff it safely. Currently, we are able to run both breakfast and after school club.

The bubble structure is in place to minimise contacts enabling speedy tracing should there be a case of Covid 19. We appreciate you all adhering to these bubbles even though we know they cause some inconvenience for some of you. The staggered starts help to reduce crowding at entrances and in corridors, so reducing contacts.

 I would like to take this opportunity to remind you of gates and start of day for each bubble:

Bubble	Gate	Start
Green	Year 3	09.00
Purple	Year 4	08.45
Red	Year 4	09.00
Blue	MUGA	09.00
Orange 6Bd	MUGA Year 5	08.45
Yellow	Year 5	09.00

The gates are open from 8.30, when you may leave your children in the care of a member of staff. We are discouraging parents from entering the playgrounds at the start of day as this

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helps to reduce the risk to all. However, we realise that some children need their parents to remain with them in order for them to settle well and of course, we welcome you. If you are on the playground before or after school, we ask you to wear a mask to protect staff, children and other parents.

We know that it is tempting for the children to bring in small toys, but we would ask you to remind children to bring to school only those things, which are essential so we can reduce the risk for all.

You can read the government guidelines by clicking on the Gov.Uk Updates on our website. We will keep you updated of any changes that we make.

For any queries please get in touch with:
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Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,
Sandra Denton
Deputy Headteacher