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## “Valuing every achievement”

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September

Dear Families,

I wanted to write to you as there are a few things I need to share with you:

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September 2022** – This day has been declared a Bank Holiday due to the State Funeral of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. Therefore, school will be closed on this day as a mark of respect and also, so that our children can watch this historic event with yourselves. I'd like to thank you for your understanding with this.

**COVID** – has reared its head again! It has impacted on both staff and pupils. We have had pupils in school with this today and who have tested positive on site. Although the guidance is now that you can ‘carry on’ with COVID, the reality is very different, especially in our setting. Please, due to the vulnerability of our children, can you keep your child at home if they have COVID, or are displaying any symptoms of COVID. One of our pupils had to have an ambulance called to them this weekend and this is the real and vulnerable levels that our children are at.

From what we have heard in the past week, symptoms have been; hot then cold, heavy cold symptoms, sore throat, headache, tiredness and being sick. I do not want to appear in a panic with this as I am not, but I am conscious that not only are our children at risk, but if too many staff members catch this, we will have another situation on our hands. So, as always, please can we work together on this. If your child does have symptoms and you test them and they have COVID, please keep them off until their test results show as negative. Please ask if you are worried about symptoms as we have a few test kits left.

Please be aware that when we phone you about your child being unwell, we do expect that they are collected as a matter of urgency and a priority.

**Parking** – Thank you for all you do to be considerate towards our neighbours with your parking, in terms of not being across their drives or blocking them in. Please can I make the suggestion that you avoid parking on the corner nearest the top of Drummond Road. So as you stand on the school drive looking out towards the houses, the houses on the right corner. I think this will make your experience of dropping off and picking up a lot more pleasant. Any issues, please let me know.



**Reception children** – our reception children started today. It was so lovely to have everyone here in school and we wish them, and all of our new starters, a very happy school journey with Team Rigby.

**Uniform** – you may have seen on Twitter (@RigbyHsch) that our children are now wearing their provided School PE uniforms. They look absolutely brilliant and so smart. If you have any issues with the uniform we have provided you with, please speak to your child's Teacher so we can rectify this for you.

In general, everyone is looking smart in their new uniforms. Please can I reiterate that all pupils need to wear uniform.

Thanks as always for your continued support.



Tracey

Headteacher

