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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are all keeping safe and well. Just a few reminders and updates in your weekly letter today. As I am sure you are aware, there are some local schools who have had positive COVID cases and have therefore closed class or year group bubbles. Rest assured we have no positive cases confirmed at Wyke and that if we are in that situation we would inform you immediately. The local authority still assures us that the number of Dorset cases remains low. We will continue to do our best to keep the school as safe as we can with your help.

In the event of a class or year bubble closure, we are now required to provide remote education for a two week period of isolation. Each year group will be posting a two week block of learning on to google classroom (years 2-6). For Early Years and Year 1, Tapestry will be the vehicle for continuous learning tasks. The governors will shortly be approving our new remote learning policy and this will be put on the Federation website. A parent guide on remote learning will be issued next week. Alongside this, year groups are also beginning to use the on-line classrooms for home learning tasks (homework) which the children will complete as part of their normal learning. The two week learning plan is only for the potential lock down period, should it occur – there is no requirement for children to complete this as homework! An exercise book will be sent home so that if your child's bubble closes, they have a means of recording the remote learning over the two-week period.

We have been made aware of a glitch in the school meals ordering system today. Hot school meals are not available at this time, so if you have booked a **hot** meal, this needs cancelling please. Our meal provider is broadening the choice of packed lunches from 4 to 6 to offer an increased variety. These choices will appear on the ordering site shortly.

The PE hoody order is on its way, though because of the size of the order, not all at once! We will begin distributing those that we have next week and as soon as the rest of the orders arrive, your child will receive theirs. Thank you for supporting PE days by sending children to school in black tracksuit or jogging bottoms only.

Teachers will be making their phone calls soon to let you know how your child is doing. Please complete the form you were sent via a text link to request times suited to you.

The governing body are considering their response to the public consultation about the Portland incinerator proposals. They are very concerned about the increased heavy traffic this will bring to the main road that borders the school and the safety of the children and have decided to lodge a letter of opposition.

Lastly please could you try as much as possible to stick to year group timings. On the whole we are doing really well with such a large volume of parents moving through the site but at times this week it has seemed really crowded at the end of the day. If FS2 reception parents could delay their arrival till 3.05 this would really help.

Yours faithfully,
Mrs. W Roberts

Head of Federation