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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a great week back at school with the children – despite the mixed weather! The vast majority of children are back at school and attendance is really good; though some were looking really tired this morning! Thank you for getting the children back into routines and I am sure we will soon be feeling like life is getting back to some kind of normal.

We understand that some children have grown out of school uniform and shoes etc. during the lockdown. Thank you for letting us know. We can provide financial assistance with any items of uniform if you need it so that your child has the correct uniform both on PE and non PE days. Please telephone the school office and speak to either Mrs Clarke, (both sites) Mrs Hayne (Juniors) or Mrs Kimber (Infants). This offer applies to all parents.

Families that were issued laptops are asked to keep them safely at home for now just in case of bubble closures over the next couple of weeks. Obviously we hope that will not happen, but we know that other schools have had cases. On-line learning would resume for the closure of a year group bubble and we have currently reverted to part 1 of our remote learning policy which provides a block of learning for any child to access if self-isolating.

Meal vouchers will be issued for the Easter holidays by Mrs Clarke. If you feel you might be entitled to this support or simply would like some additional help, please speak to her in confidence.

There seems to be a small number of children who have returned to school with coloured hair. Whilst I am aware that hairdressers are closed until at least April, could I just remind all parents that extreme hairstyles - including dyed hair is not part of our Federation policy. This causes issues in school with other children and parents and can be uncomfortable or embarrassing for the children who will be asked about it by staff. Please can I ask you to respect the Federation expectations. This also includes all long hair being tied back and away from the face.

We have been reviewing the staggered starts and finishes this week and appreciate that the year 2 change has led to a few of you having to wait for longer periods of time for junior siblings. Please contact us directly and we will look at how we can help. The flow of children and parents in the mornings has been good, with many junior children seeing themselves in through the High Street gate. Thank you. We have had a few complaints about some parents not abiding by our one way system – we know it's a pain walking all the way round either site, but for now it is for everyone's safety. For that reason, please stick with the one way system.

Have a lovely weekend and stay safe.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs W Roberts Head of Federation