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Dear Parents and Carers,

I know many of you are feeling increasing anxiety around the pandemic and the new 'National Restrictions' which are:

**From Thursday 5 November, everyone must stay at home, and may leave only for a limited set of reasons. These include:**

- **For education;**
- **For work, if you cannot work from home;**
- **For exercise and recreation outdoors, with your household, support bubble or on your own with one person from another household;**
- **For all medical reasons, appointments and to escape injury or harm;**
- **To shop for food and essentials;**
- **And to provide care for vulnerable people, or as a volunteer.**

I appreciate your continued support. Your children thrive at school and need school to keep their routine, help their mental well-being and so that they grow both academically and socially.

We have many measures in place to keep them as safe as we can but from **Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November until the end of term** we are introducing further measures to keep us all even safer whilst the infection rate is high.

### **1) BREAKFAST CLUB AND HOME HUB PLACES**

This can only be used by parents and carers who are still having to go to a place of work and are not working from home as we are prioritising key worker families. **Please if you need a place from Thursday still email [contact@darnhall.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:contact@darnhall.cheshire.sch.uk) by midday on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November.** If we DON'T hear from you we will remove your child's place.



## 2) STAGGERED STARTS TO MINIMISE ADULT TO ADULT CONTACT

### DROP OFF TIMES

From Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November all families must follow the following **drop off arrangements**. We are using your child's last name as an initial for this and if you have children with different last names then use the initial of your eldest child (*this includes childminders*).

8:30am LAST NAMES STARTING WITH **A B C D E F G H I**

8:40am LAST NAMES STARTING WITH **J K L M N O P Q**

8:50am LAST NAMES STARTING WITH **R S T U V W X Y Z**

Afternoon nursery to continue to come in at 12:15pm.

ALL OWL CLASS REMAIN THE SAME 9:00am - 3:00pm

**ALL children in Reception to Year 6 must be left at the gate and no parent/ carer will be permitted on the playgrounds at drop off unless walking between sites.**

MASKS MUST BE WORN PLEASE. CONTINUE TO KEEP YOUR DISTANCE AT ALL TIMES PLEASE.

### PICK UP TIMES

If your child is old enough and capable enough to walk home (Year 4-6) they should continue to do so. If not please stick to the following collection times. Early Years classes queue at the gates and Key stage 2 either meet your child outside the gate or there is space to wait on the yard and maintain social distancing. ALL GATES WILL BE MANNED BY STAFF FOR SAFETY REASONS BEWEEN 8:30am and 3:15pm – please be punctual.

2:50pm LAST NAMES STARTING WITH **A B C D E F G H I**

3:00pm LAST NAMES STARTING WITH **J K L M N O P Q**

3:10pm LAST NAMES STARTING WITH **R S T U V W X Y Z**



If any of this presents you with difficulty due to your own personal circumstances then please either email [contact@darnhall.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:contact@darnhall.cheshire.sch.uk) or call school and ask for Mrs Tomlinson 01606 593315 – we are here to help!

Mrs Jardine (Deputy Head) is expecting a baby so she is now working from home. Mrs Shaw will teach Butterfly class until the end of the school year. Mrs Dilnot will be teaching Bear class on a Thursday and Friday this half term to allow Mrs Mulholland (Assistant Headteacher) leadership time.

We have some lovely things planned for this half term for your children to enjoy.

Thank you for helping keep us all as safe as we can.

With kindest regards

Sarah Tomlinson

Headteacher

