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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you are all keeping safe and well and had an enjoyable Christmas Day with your families.



I apologise for interrupting your Christmas holiday but I felt that with all the different statements coming out in the Press you probably have some queries about when/how Thurlton Primary will resume for the start of the Spring Term.

Currently school will be resuming on **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021** with all pupils expected to return to school. However, I am sure that many of you still have concerns about school resuming, please be assured that all risk assessments have been reviewed in line with Government Guidelines and I can assure that the safety, wellbeing and mental health of the pupils, staff and the entire school community remains our top priority. To continue to support the entire school community each class will remain a completely independent Bubble (as they were for the final week of last term). For the week commencing **04.01.21** (at least) there will be no staff crossing Bubbles, no non-essential visitors will be coming into school and to ensure as little movement throughout the school as possible PE sessions will not take place. This does mean that the days your child would normally have PE they will need to attend school in their school uniform. I will also be postponing the start of CFS After School Club.

### **DROP OFF and COLLECTION Times**

Please remember that we are operating a staggered drop off time for the classes:

**Badger Class: 8.40am**

**Rabbit Class & Hedgehog: 8.50am**

Households with pupils in different classes please **drop off all children at the time of the youngest child** (ie pupil in Rabbit Class and in Badger class drop off will be 8.50am for both pupils).

Some Parents/Carers are dropping off earlier than their allocated time, to avoid congestion on the playground please can you ensure you arrive at the allocated time (not earlier or later) and that you leave your child/ren with the class teacher (in their class line) and exit the school grounds immediately.

At the end of the day: All children will be collected at **3.15pm**, for Parents/Carers who have a **child in more than one class**, these pupils will be at the front of the queue to be let out first.

Again to avoid congestion please ensure you are on time to collect, **only one adult to collect from the playground** and once your child/ren has been collected please vacate the school grounds immediately.

### **PLAYTIME/LUNCHTIME**

- **Hedgehog Class** will have their playtimes in their outdoor area.
- **Rabbit and Badger Class** will use the main playground which will be divided into two areas with Rabbits in one area and Badgers in the other.
- **Lunchtimes** will remain as they are with pupils eating in their classrooms then out to play in the above mentioned areas.

If Government guidelines change please be assured I will inform you as soon as possible.

Thank you for your continued support to the school, remember my door is always open, even if only virtually and all staff are looking forward to welcoming all the pupils back into school on the 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021.

*Mrs Hambley*

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Headteacher