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Dear Parent/Guardian,

I trust this letter finds you well and both you and your family enjoyed the summer holidays. Staff have been busy in school this week preparing for the start of a new school year and we look forward to what we hope will be a smooth school year without the disruption caused during the previous 2 years.

By now you will have heard that the Department of Education has issued their latest guidance with regards to reopening of schools. As a school we welcome these changes and are pleased that the Department are allowing us to slowly return to normality. However, for now, in school we will not be making many, if any changes when school reopens. We do hope to get to where the guidance suggests within Term 1 but we will do so at our own pace. Operations established last year worked well and we want to make sure that when we do make changes in school, we don't have to change them back again.

We are very thankful to our school community in how effectively they have worked alongside us since the beginning of the pandemic and we ask that you continue to do so. If your child is displaying symptoms of COVID-19 i.e. continuous cough, high fever, loss of taste/smell, please do not send them to school and seek PHA guidance. As we will do in school, please reinforce good hygiene with your child i.e. regular, thorough handwashing, sneezing into elbows etc. Please ensure when collecting your child after school to wear a face covering when in the school grounds.

We can't wait to see all the children again and also welcome some new faces to our fantastic little school. As before we will endeavour to make school as normal as possible for all our children and ensure that they continue to come to school with a smile on their face.

Please note that school reopens for pupils in **P2-7 at 9am on Tuesday 31st August**. To our P1s, you will have been contacted with your child's start date. **Tuesday 31st August is a non-operational day** and as such there will be no school transport or lunches (all children should bring a packed lunch). Breakfast club will reopen on Wednesday 1st September but the start time has changed to 8:15am. For now, we will not be offering breakfast but we hope to do so in the near future and will keep you informed when we are in a position to do so. As communicated in our newsletter at the end of June, P3 will finish school at 3:10pm on Monday- Wednesdays and 2:10pm on Thursdays and Fridays.

With regards to PE, we ask that on their allocated PE day pupils come to school in PE uniform- non mark trainers, plain tracksuit bottoms, white polo shirt and school sweater. PE days for each class are as follows:

P1/2	Mondays
P2/3	Wednesdays
P3/4	Tuesdays
P5/6	Thursdays
P6/7	Fridays

To assist in the carrying of reading books, homeworks etc we ask that pupils in P1/2, P2/3 and P3/4 bring their purple folders to school. Those children who haven't received a purple folder yet will be given one in the coming weeks and can use a suitable alternative in the meantime. Those children in P5/6 and P6/7 may bring a small school bag to school for the same purpose.

Enjoy what remains of the holidays and I look forward to meeting you all again soon.

Mr Bogle