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Dear Parents/Carers

We have been waiting to write to you for a few weeks but we have been patiently waiting for the Government update which we received last night. We were aware that this announcement could change some of our transition plans which we suggested back in April.

Meeting for Parents – Thursday 24th June at 4pm

The above meeting will take place, however, certain restrictions will apply. We ask that just two adults per child maximum, attend the meeting and that they wear masks until seated. The meeting will take place outside on the school site if the weather permits. Should the weather let us down then the meeting will be moved to the Sports Hall which is situated behind China Red and is large enough for us all to be socially distanced. Unfortunately, we are unable to allow any children to attend this meeting. At this meeting you will have an opportunity to meet Mrs Burrell and Miss Oxtoby and collect some information about the school. We envisage that the meeting will last no longer than 30 minutes and there will be an opportunity for questions. Please email or telephone the office if you will be attending the meeting so we will know how many people to expect.

Information required by Dunswell Academy

Birth Certificate – these can be brought to the parent meeting however, if the meeting has to be held off site, we will be unable to copy them and they will need to be brought in on a transition day.

Classroom Visits for Pupils

Due to the Government announcement and the need for children still having to self-isolate if they have close contact, we are reducing the classroom visits to two sessions. This will reduce the contact of children to one week rather than two which will reduce the risk of close contact. The dates we have set are:

- Wednesday 14th July 2–3pm and
- Thursday 15th July 2–3pm

You will leave your child at school for the hour's session and children can wear their own clothes on these days. If you wish to sign up for one or both of these sessions please email or telephone the school office to book a place. Children will be mixing with all new Reception children as well as the Year 1 children who will be in their class next year. I must make you aware that if any child or adult who has been in contact with your child tests positive for

COVID 19 within two days of being in the school, all children and adults in close contact will need to self-isolate.

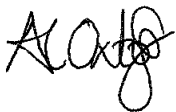
If your child tests positive within two days of being in the school, we ask that you contact us as soon as possible so that procedures can be put into place if necessary.

Family meetings

Meeting the families in their home gives teachers the opportunity to see children in their own settings. This year, we will once again be taking the family meetings virtual! This way we can have face to face conversations and discussions with parents. At the parent meeting, there will be sign-up sheets for these virtual meetings. If you are unable to attend the parent meeting, the school office will contact you to arrange a convenient date and time. We look forward to meeting you all very soon.

Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact the school office. Thank you for your continuing support, now and into the future.

Yours sincerely



Alison Oxtoby
Head Teacher



Catherine Burrell
Class 1 Teacher