



Longvernal Primary School Outdoor Learning Leaders

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Dear Parents/Carers

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I hope this letter finds you well, that you enjoyed a restful half term and that your child is looking forward to returning to school. We are keen to ensure the safe return to school of all pupils and staff.

In line with recent developments, from tomorrow, we ask that any Reception and Nursery parents waiting within the school grounds wear a mask at all times unless medically exempt. If for any reason you need to come on site such as to collect your child outside of normal hours, please also wear a mask. To avoid unnecessary waiting around please adhere to your allocated drop off and pick up times and we ask that you do not arrive in groups.

In light of current research there is increasing evidence that the coronavirus is spread through the air, especially in indoor spaces. Scientists now acknowledge the role played by the transmission of aerosols- tiny particles exhaled by an infected person that remain suspended in the air of an indoor environment. Advice is to keep rooms as well-ventilated as possible. The effectiveness of the heating system will therefore inevitably be compromised.

We have to this point already been doing this but as the weather becomes increasingly colder we are aware that it would be safer and more practical if children were to wear more clothes to school. You may like to consider a base layer of thermals, vest or t-shirt. If necessary your child could wear an additional cardigan or sweater on top of their uniform or a gilet rather than sit indoors all day in a bulky coat.

At the moment we intend to continue to run our childcare provision Breakfast and After School Club. We also intend to run Football Club on Friday as planned. At the point of writing, information around the next cohort of children for the multi-sports club run by Sporting Family Change for Term 2 will be sent out later this week with the intention of this running from Week 2.

Please be mindful that the situation remains fluid and we shall endeavour to communicate as quickly and clearly as we can.

Thank you for your continued support in these challenging times.

Kind regards
Karen

We are building a community where learners have no ceilings to their aspirations and successes. Everyone is respected and loved in their own right.

