



Dear Parents,

We have had a spike in the number of Covid cases within Year 2 and Year 5, and as a result, we have sought advice from the Public Health team. They have recommended that both year groups should be bubbled for 14 days, starting tomorrow, meaning they will be kept separate from the rest of the school.

This is obviously a difficult system to implement and has a knock on effect for the rest of the school, but we will endeavour to give all of our children as near to normal an experience as possible in the run up to Christmas.

Consequently, these are the changes we have had to put into place:

- Year 2 and Year 5 children attending Breakfast Club will have to stay seated within their Bubble for the next two weeks. This will be the same at Teatime club.**
- Year 2 and Year 5 will leave school at 3:25pm – Year 5 will leave through their usual exit and Year 2 through the main entrance.**
- Year 2 will not be able to attend the pantomime on Wednesday 1st December, however, this has been rearranged for Tuesday 14th December at 1:30pm. More details to follow.**
- Year 2 reading together, planned for Friday 26th November, is cancelled.**
- Year 5 Leadership training, planned for Thursday 25th November, is cancelled.**
- The trip to Santa's Grotto, on Thursday 9th December, for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will still go ahead.**
- The trip to Beamish for Year 3-5 on Friday 10th December will still go ahead.**
- Sadly, all Christmas performances will be cancelled for all year groups as the children will not be able to rehearse as planned. We will make class songs from the performances available on Seesaw before the end of term.**
- Reward morning will be postponed until the last week of term.**
- Assemblies will be held virtually rather than in the hall.**
- Morning playtimes will be staggered.**
- Year 2 and Year 5 will be kept separate at lunch time, with Year 5 eating their lunch in their classroom.**
- Year 2 and Year 5 will not receive lessons in Music, Brass, or Spanish, for the next two weeks.**

These measures will be lifted on Thursday 9th December, unless there are any further spikes of Covid cases in school.

As always, thank you for your support in this matter and if there are any further developments, we will let you know.

Thank you.