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Dear Parent/Carer,

We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Monday January 10th, hoping that you have all had an enjoyable Christmas. We all hope that we will see improvements in the situation regarding Covid-19 during 2022.

I would like to present the following information at the beginning of the new term. As far as the situation regarding Covid-19 is concerned, we will continue with various health and safety arrangements which have already been in place during the Autumn term. We will also be re-introducing some of the arrangements which were in place during previous periods of lockdown, following Local Authority and Welsh Government guidance and suggestions. These arrangements will require us as school staff to follow, but will also require the co-operation of the pupils and you as parents/carers, in our efforts to reduce possible risks to all members of the school's community. As we continue to be in an uncertain situation, further actions may be required during the term, which may include specific classes having to move to on-line learning.

SYMPTOMS - If your child is displaying symptoms of Covid-19, or if another member of the household has tested positive, then he/she should not attend school and you should arrange for a PCR. Self isolation procedures following Public Health Wales guidance should be followed before your child returns to school. The **three key symptoms** of COVID-19 are:

a high temperature: this means that they feel hot to touch on their chest or back

a new, continuous cough: this means coughing a lot for more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours

a loss or change to their sense of smell or taste: this means they've noticed they cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal

Start and finish times

Nursery	9:00 - 11:30(bore) / 12.30-3.00(afternoon)
Reception / Years 1 & 2	8:55 - 15:00
Years 3,4,5 & 6	8.55-3.15

Breakfast / After school clubs - Clubs are available only if absolutely necessary and if no other options for child care in the morning and after school are available.

Arriving and going home - On Monday January 10th, the children will be returning to school and will follow the same arrangements to the ones in place during the Autumn term. This means that all pupils (except nursery - 9.00) are expected to arrive in school in time for the beginning of registration and the first lesson of the day at 8.55.

Foundation Phase children enter through the left hand gate at the front of the school, with key stage two pupils entering through the right hand gate.

After school activity clubs - We will be notifying parents/carers of the arrangements regarding when various after school clubs will resume over the next few weeks.

When on the school site, all parents/carers are asked to wear a face covering, and to continue to make every effort to respect the health and safety of others by keeping a safe distance from others. We will continue to follow the same timetable as the one in place for last term, which has helped our arrangements to reduce the number of people on the school yard at the same time when the children are collected. Please take care when leaving the yard and school site. To further help our efforts in minimising the number of people on the school site, please ensure **ONLY ONE PARENT/CARER BRINGS AND COLLECTS YOUR CHILD TO AND FROM SCHOOL.**

Once you have collected your child, please make every effort to ensure that your child stays with you, avoiding mixing with pupils who may be outside of their own class age group, leaving the school yard and school site safely and promptly by following the one-way system around the school. This would be of great help, thank you.

Contact with your child's classteacher - If you any queries or questions you may wish to ask or discuss regarding your child's education, then please contact your child's classteacher through e.mail in the first instance. Letters and information which may be relevant to your child's class can be received through Schoop, the school App, the school's Twitter account as well as the school website.

Contact the office through mailbox@hooson-pri.wrexham.sch.uk for general enquiries.

Thank you, please continue to take care and to keep safe with your families.

Yours sincerely,

Rhodri Jones
Headteacher