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AN EXTREMELY IMPORTANT REMINDER ABOUT HOMETIMES

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Dear Parent/Carer

As we enter the final week of term, I wanted to thank you all once again for the tremendous support you have offered to school since September- and also to issue an important reminder.

Although Liverpool is in 'Tier 2' measures, the rules and expectations for those entering the school site have **not** changed from when we were in 'Tier 3'. However I am sure many of you will agree with me that we have seen growing numbers of parents on the playground and unfortunately not all are observing safe practices.

This actually presents a real risk to the Christmas period that so many of us are looking forward to. Should anybody test positive or become a 'close contact' of a confirmed case of COVID this week, this will automatically lead to that person, and potentially their whole household, having to self-isolate over the festive period. The measures we have put in place are designed to keep every member of the school community as safe as possible- children, staff and parents. After we have all sacrificed so much, we must not be complacent in the final few days.

We need all parents to continue to follow these very clear guidelines at hometime:

- **Wear a face covering (unless medically exempt)**
- **Observe safe social distancing of 2m from others at all times**
- **One parent per family on the playground at hometime**
- **Stick rigidly to timings- Reception, Year 1 and Year 2- 3pmNursery and Year's 3 to 6- 3:15pm. If people are too early or are late, this leads to completely unnecessary congestion at the gate**
- **Do not wait for others- pick up your child/children on time and leave the playground sensibly**
- **If you are collecting children at 3 and at 3:15pm, you must keep your child at your side at all times**
- **Staff are not available for face to face contact- please contact the school office who will arrange a phone call, or alternatively contact your child's teacher through ClassDojo**

We all need to continue to work together to keep each other safe. With your continued and valuable support, we can continue to keep our school community as COVID safe as possible and protect Christmas for all.

Kind Regards

Mr David Potter

Head Teacher