Friday 2nd July

Dear Parents/Carers

Parents Evening

Thank you to all the parents who have contacted me with feedback from Parents Evening; some parents loved it others had issues. Like you, we look forward to next year when we can return to our face to face meetings and restrictions are lifted. It worked for some but not others and in hindsight the appointments should have been longer; as ever we will learn from our experiences. If you need to follow up with your teacher, please do not hesitate to contact school.

We were only using the system due to COVID restrictions; it is not something we intend to use again. For primary schools it is so important to meet face to face, to look at work and the classroom. Apologies if you had issues.

<u>COVID</u>

Unfortunately cases are still rife in the area and many schools are being hit. We keep praying and keeping our fingers crossed. Apologies for the further reminders but there is so much information out there it really is quite confusing. We follow Public Health advice which is:

If you or your child (or anyone in the house) has symptoms you must isolate and book a PCR test (the one on line). Whilst waiting for the result the whole household must isolate. We are finding the results are being returned anywhere between 3 and 12 hours so hopefully the wait will be a short one. If a child tests positive (PCR Test) the bubble in school will have to isolate. As you have seen in the news hopefully this will be reviewed and quickly; in my opinion it is not needed but I do not run the country (thankfully).

The Lateral Flow tests (LFT) should only work if the person tested has no symptoms so please do not use these if you or your child has symptoms; it will not be accurate – a PCR is needed.

Thank you as ever for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

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