# **Highfield Primary School**

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Thursday 10th September 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are now three days into the new term and what a pleasure it has been to have children in all year groups back at Highfield. The classrooms are full of learning and laughter and the children have done a wonderful job at adapting to the new routines in put in place to minimise the spread of Covid-19. To this end, I just wanted to clarify a few points that have been brought to our attention since reopening:

#### Bags:

While we are trying to limit the personal belongings children bring in from home (eg. they used to be able to bring in their own pencil cases and now they cannot), we recognise that children do still need to bring a small bag to keep their water bottles, snacks and any personal sanitising products they wish to bring with them in. We are therefore encouraging parents to send their children with either a book bag or a **small bag/rucksack** to store these items in. Bigger rucksacks cause additional issues as they often do not fit in the children's trays meaning they have to be stored elsewhere so please only send your child with a **small bag/rucksack**.

#### Lost Property:

Please ensure every item of clothing (and their lunch box/bag) belonging to your child is **clearly labelled with their name**. Due to the restrictions on visitors to the school site, we are unable to allow parents to look through the Lost Property. If your child misplaces an item of clothing (or lunch box/bag), providing it is **clearly labelled with the child's name** it will be returned to them as soon as possible.

## Masks:

Please be reminded that children in primary schools should not be wearing a mask. As per Government guidance, 'In primary schools where social distancing is not possible in indoor areas outside of classrooms between members of staff or visitors (for example, in staffrooms), head teachers will have the discretion to decide whether to ask staff or visitors to wear, or agree to them wearing face coverings in these circumstances. But children in primary school do not need to wear a face covering.' If you are travelling to school via transport and choose for your child to wear a mask for their journey to school, please note that they will be asked to remove these and store them safely in a plastic bag until the end of the day. For more information on face coverings in education, please see: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/face-coverings-in-education/face-coverings-in-edu

# Year Group Emails:

Please note that unless your child's class/bubble closes, their year group email accounts will not be monitored. Any emails for your child's Class Teacher should be emailed to the school office at: office@highfield-pri.enfield.sch.uk

#### **Birthday Treats:**

Unfortunately, due to the fact that we are no longer able to share food, we are asking children not to bring in treats for their birthday. Please do feel free to inform your child's Teacher if it is their birthday though so that the class can wish your child a lovely day!

## **Social Distancing**

Thank you to the vast majority of our parents for sticking to times and social distancing when waiting. Please remember to stay 1m+ apart when waiting, avoid face to face conversations and leave the surrounding area of the school once you have dropped your child/ren off.

Yours Faithfully,

Deputy Headteacher

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