

Dear Parents and Carers,

22<sup>nd</sup> January 2021

**COVID19 UPDATE:** There have been no new cases of COVID19 in school this week, which is very pleasing news.

**TESTING IN SCHOOLS:** The government has begun rolling out Lateral Flow Testing (LFT) in schools. This testing started in secondary schools and colleges at the start of this term and will start in primary schools and nurseries next week. Unlike secondary students, primary and nursery pupils will not be tested. In our setting, only the staff will be tested and they will do so twice each week. The LFT is a very welcome addition to the controls that we have in place to keep our community safe. The work involved in setting up the LFT and the subsequent reporting are not easy tasks, and I would like to thank Mrs Hargreaves Hands and Mrs Zarcaro for being our COVID Regulator and COVID Registration Assistant respectively. They are doing a brilliant job!

**REMOTE LEARNING:** Well done to you all, you have now completed the third week of home schooling. The teachers are very pleased with the work that has been completed. The staff are also enjoying the live sessions that they are having with their classes, they are really missing seeing all of their pupils every day. Please remember, though, that if the work is causing stress at home then just pack up for the day and start again in the morning stress is not good for either the child nor the parent.

Have a lovely weekend.

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