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Dear Parents / Carers

#### **Facemasks**

From Monday 17<sup>th</sup> May, the government are further relaxing some of the COVID restrictions in place in this country. In schools very little is changing and the control measures we have in place will remain so. However, the use of facemasks in schools is being relaxed. Adults in school will continue to wear facemasks where it is not possible to social distance. However, we have decided it will no longer be a requirement for parents picking up or dropping off their children to wear a facemask. This comes into effect from Monday 17<sup>th</sup> May.

# **Sports Day**

Sports Day is still planned to happen this year, but current guidance says that parents should not attend. Should things change we will of course invite parents. Sports day will happen on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> June in the afternoon for children in Years 3 to 6 and in the afternoon of Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> June for children in Reception, Year 1 and 2.

## Medication

A number of children may now be experiencing hay fever. If your child suffers from hay fever, please make sure they take suitable medication in the morning before school if necessary. Hay fever medication cannot be kept in school. Lip balms and hand cream are not allowed in school, so please don't send your children in with these.

### Sun cream

We are starting to get warmer, sunnier weather (about time!). Please make sure your child is wearing sun cream before coming to school and has a hat if necessary.

### Uniform

Our children continue to look smart each day. A few children have bows appearing on socks. Please make sure socks are bow free.

Just a reminder that long hair should be tied back with clips, hair bands or a headband which is one colour and either red, white or black. A number of other colours have been appearing lately.

#### Lateness

Thank you to the vast majority of parents who are getting their children into school between 8:30am and 8:45am. Once the bell has rung children are late. There are still a very small number who think it is ok to be late. It isn't. If you are late, expect to be asked why.

# End of day messages

If you need to call the office regarding end of the day messages for example if someone else is picking up or to use after school club, please make sure you have called before 2:00pm. Any messages after this time are much harder to get to the classes. We appreciate that on occasions, emergency calls may still need to be made.

Mr S Bowsher Headteacher



