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Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope this letter finds you and your loved ones safe and well.

As I walk around the school corridors and go into lessons, the climate for learning is excellent. Students are trying their best and high quality learning is taking place, it is great to see!

We have really enjoyed having parents back into school for information evenings and open evenings, but we are going to try and make sure we also have remote resources where possible. Our virtual Open Event is still available on www.horsforthschool.org if you would like to find out more.

Learning Journeys

If you do ever want to know what your son or daughter should be learning in any subject, in any year, please check here for our learning journeys: <https://sites.google.com/horsforthschool.org/home-learning-portal/home/what-you-will-learn>

Remote Learning

If your son or daughter has struggled with a lesson, concept or topic or even just wants to brush up on something before a test, then they can always go to our remote learning website and use some of the resources and videos there: <https://sites.google.com/horsforthschool.org/home-learning-portal/home>

Masks in Corridors and Communal Areas

As term progresses we are monitoring the impact of mask wearing in corridors and communal areas, and it has had a significant effect and reduced positive cases by 86%. Students will test positive when there is COVID locally, but your support in doing Lateral Flow Tests has meant that the vast majority of students have tested positive on a Sunday night and therefore do not come into school the next day.

Lateral Flow Tests

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Thank you so much for your support in continuing to perform Lateral Flow Tests at home. Up to one in three people who have COVID-19 can spread the virus without knowing. This is because they have no symptoms.

The link to reporting results to the NHS is here: <https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result>. The link to report results to us is here **(please also call the school if you test positive)**: <https://forms.gle/RKzCgrFhzDS4CFK87>

Cold weather

As it gets colder and we move deeper into Autumn, we will be monitoring the temperature in school but it is vital that we have good ventilation like last year and we will be keeping windows and doors open. Please remind your son/daughter to wear a warm under layer if they wish (e.g. vest, white T shirt under their shirt) but currently they are not permitted to wear coats in class and we do not allow coats on the corridors.

We will review this as the term progresses.

Drop off and pick up

As the weather turns I do understand that you may wish to drop off your son or daughter. Please only do this if absolutely necessary as the traffic on Lee Lane East does get quite heavy and the road at the back near St Margaret's Church is very narrow and essentially single lane traffic due to parking.

Please also be aware that Leeds City Council Traffic Enforcement Officers will be coming to the Lee Lane East entrance to enforce the yellow no stopping lines during the next month.

Extra-curricular

Well done to all students taking part in extra-curricular activities, sports clubs or teams. I watched the Year 10 rugby team win 60-20 vs. Ilkley Grammar School and the Year 8's did really well in a close match too. It is great to have this element of school up and running, and if you do want to come and watch outdoor events after school you are welcome to attend.

Thank you for your patience, understanding and support.

Take care, stay safe and best wishes.

Yours faithfully

Dr P Bell
Headteacher

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