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### Changes to the organisation of Y1/2 'bubbles' from January 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing to let you know about small changes to teaching in Y1/2 classes when we return to school after the Christmas break.

From January children **will remain in their classes but will be grouped across Y1 and Y2 classes for Read write Inc. phonics reading sessions.** This is essential to ensure we can teach our phonics reading scheme effectively.

Staff will be allocated to and remain with a year group as much as possible. There will still be separate lunchtimes and playtimes.

When staff are working across a year group they are required to pay more attention to social distancing. There are also seating plans for phonics reading sessions and for each class. This means that it may not be necessary to send everyone home if there is a positive case of Covid-19.

These small changes follow government guidance and comply with the Local Authority risk assessment. We remain cautious but have to ensure we are providing children with their full entitlement to high quality teaching and learning.

In addition to this, we will be asking all of our **Y1 and Y2 pupils to come into school for an 8:40am start.** The end of the school day will be **3.20pm.**

Yours sincerely,

Head teacher

