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Dear Parents

Staggered drop off and pickup times

Firstly, thank you for following our staggered start and pickup times so well. They have worked without a hitch and the children have arrived and left with no problems. I am also very happy with how you have all adhered to social distancing outside.

Having reviewed this current procedure and how best to continue to operate the staggered times, I would like to make some slight changes to increase the safety for everyone. The staggered times will remain which continues to allow our bubbles to operate safely upon arrival and departure. For those that need to remain for the 15 minute overlap, instead of waiting outside on the roadside, please come onto the playground but remain socially distanced from other families also waiting. Please could you also ensure your children aren't running around and playing on the equipment whilst the remaining bubble exits school at the end of the day as this then doesn't allow our bubbles to remain safely operating.

PE and Forest School Days

The other change that I want to let you know about is regarding PE and Forest School days. Previously children would have arrived with their kit ready to change into. To allow for a safer practice, many schools are now suggesting that children arrive already in their kit to avoid the changing of clothes. I would like to also adopt this change. Forest Schools is beginning next week (wb14.09.20). The below timetable shows when your child's class will have PE and Forest Schools. Please make sure they arrive in the correct kit for those days.

	Stoke Class	Wonwell Class	Mothecombe Class
Monday		Forest School	Forest School
Tuesday			
Wednesday		PE afternoon	PE afternoon
Thursday			
Friday	Forest School		PE afternoon

This does mean that on PE days it would be preferred if ear piercings could be removed before the school day. PE Kit is navy shorts, a polo shirt with our school logo and trainers however in light of wearing kit all day, sensible tracksuit bottoms or leggings would be currently favoured.



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Stoke Class will still be taking part in PE sessions but PE kit won't be needed on particular days due to the nature of the sessions this half term.

As a reminder, Forest School kit is outdoor clothes, trousers and a top which you don't mind getting dirty. Please allow children to come in trainers and ensure they bring their wellies so that they can change into wellies during their session. On wet weather days, please ensure they also arrive with waterproofs and a change of clothes in case they get wet - I don't wish children to be in wet clothes for the remaining part of their school day.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

Yours sincerely

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