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Dear parent/carer,

We have now settled back into school and I am extremely proud of the resilience and adaptability that the children have shown during this time. Many are keen to learn and eager to catch up on areas of work they may have missed. It is clear that as parents you have worked very hard with them – well done.

We are hopeful that with the rate of infections reducing, the number of cases in hospitals falling and the roll out of the vaccination programme, that we can begin to return to a more stable school life here at Moreton. All being well, from 12th April 2021 we no longer have to adhere to keeping groups of children completely separate outside – although we will still ensure that all other preventative measures are in place. This means that our lunchtimes, which have been completely separate, can begin to adapt to allow pupils to mix outside. This will have these benefits for us:

- Older pupils can visibly demonstrate their care and compassion with younger pupils bringing back a more family orientated environment;
- Lunch times can be extended again;
- Outside clubs such as football do not need to be within separate bubbles;
- We can hold more of our collective worship, including singing, outside.

Clubs

UKA will send information out regarding karate, football and multi-sports for Monday, Tuesday and Thursdays.

Dance/Fitness will resume outside (weather permitting) on a Wednesday and details will be sent to the relevant pupils.

School Day

From **MONDAY 12th APRIL** (after Easter holidays) the school day will now be extended with finish times as follows:

EYFS	3pm
Year 1 & 2	3:10pm
Years 3, 4 5 & 6	3:15pm

All pupils will continue to exit from the same place, but we will wait a couple of minutes until year 3 & 4 has cleared before bringing year 5 out.

We would ask that you continue to wear masks and move swiftly through for the time being as we must ensure we do not encourage large groupings of parents.



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PE

PE days will remain the same. The only exception is that year 1 will now have forest school on a FRIDAY and year 2 will not continue with forest school but will have PE on FRIDAY.

Children should continue to come wearing the Moreton PE kit on the days they have PE – this has worked well and we will continue with this for the foreseeable future.

Pupils feeling unwell

We have had some pupils who have become unwell on their return. This is natural as they have not mixed with others to pick up the usual cold germs. We continue to remind pupils to follow good hygiene routines, including hand washing. If your child is unwell please follow the guidance on the last page of our attendance policy regarding absence from school. **IF YOUR CHILD SHOWS COVID SYMPTOMS**, they and the family members, must isolate and obtain a PCR test. Common questions:

My child is unwell but I have some lateral flow tests. Can I use these and if they're negative send them in?

The government have not issued or recorded lateral flow tests for primary pupils. You may do this for peace of mind if your child has symptoms relating to a cold, but if they show COVID symptoms you will still need to make a PCR test appointment.

Should we be doing lateral flow tests?

Staff undertake lateral flow tests twice a week. Pupils at primary school are not required to.

I have a child at secondary school who has a positive lateral flow test, what about my child at primary school?

The pupil at secondary school will be advised to get a confirmation via a PCR test. All family members isolate until a negative result is received, or after 10 days of isolation if required.

What happens if my child has to isolate again?

Work will be uploaded onto the relevant learning platform for them.

When will we have updated information about our child's learning this year?

We aim to hold parent appointments after school from the week beginning 19th April 2021 on the playground.

Next week we will send out a newsletter to keep you updated on all the fantastic learning within school since our return. Thank you for all your continued support of the school – take care and God bless

Yours sincerely



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