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Dear parents and carers,

Thank you all so much for your well wishes and lovely messages during my absence from school. I was incredibly grateful for all of the love and support shown to me, and my family whilst I was unwell. Huge thanks also goes to Mr. Taylor and the staff team who did a fantastic job in ensuring the smooth running of the school during this period.

Next week will be a special week in school leading up to the Easter weekend. The children will be learning about the Easter week and we will be holding an Easter service on the school playground on Thursday. Hopefully this will be one of the last events we have to hold behind closed doors as we all look forward to being allowed to welcome you back in to school to share in these special events very soon. The children will break up for the Easter break on Thursday $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$ April

Rescheduled INSET Day

You will all be aware that, due to the circumstances at the time, the staff-training day on Monday 22nd February was postponed. These are important days to ensure staff are able to undertake valuable training linked to our school's improvement priorities. Our school governors have agreed to reschedule this day for Monday 19th April. (This is the first day back after the Easter break). We appreciate that we have not been able to provide you with as much notice as usual but ask for your understanding in the unusual circumstances we have been facing. **The summer term will therefore begin on Tuesday 20th April.**

Start and end of the school day. Changes to start time.

From the start of the summer term, we are again reverting to our usual start times for the whole school. We will continue to operate the two entrances but both gates will be opened at 8:50am and all children must be in school ready to learn by 9am. At this point, both gates will be closed and any children arriving late will need to enter via the front office and parents will be required to sign the late book. We will continue to stagger the end of the day with Robins and Woodpecker Classes being dismissed at 3:05pm and Wrens and Pheasants finishing at our usual time of 3:15pm.

Wrap around Care

You will be aware that before the COVID restrictions came into force we had run a successful Breakfast Club for a number of years. We are very aware of the demands placed on parents who are juggling childcare and work commitments and hope to be able to resume this service in the future. We are also aware, however, that for many people working patterns and commitments have considerably changed over the past year and this may continue into the future. We would therefore like to ascertain the demand we have for a wrap-around care provision that would be above our usual range of sporting and teacher led clubs offered. We have been approached by a local provider who has asked us to gauge demand for such a service (please see attached survey). If there is not enough demand for this



















provision at our school, there may be the possibility of the company offering a satellite service where children would be collected from Lavant and taken to one of their existing after school clubs. If we are unable to secure the services of this company, we will aim to resume some form of school led provision but this would not be as comprehensive as the wrap around care offered by CC's. Whether this provision would be of interest to you or not, please can every family complete the survey and return it to school by next Thursday.

On behalf of all the staff, I thank you all for your continued support this term.

Wishing you all a fun and relaxing Easter break

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