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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for helping us to make this such a successful start to the new school year in such testing circumstances. Here are a few short updates from school.

Self-isolation

What to if anybody in your house gets symptoms...

If anybody in your household develops Covid-19 symptoms (persistent cough, high temperature, loss or change of taste or smell) you must self-isolate immediately and seek a test. You can do this through the Covid-19 section of our website, or alternatively call 119. Please inform school at the earliest opportunity if anybody in your house develops symptoms and again when you get the results of the test. You can call us on 0191 267 4315 from 7:30am every day up until 4:30pm. Alternatively, email us admin@lemingtonriverside.newcastle.sch.uk

Home Learning...

If at any point your child or your child's class or bubble have to self-isolate we will be able to provide learning for them at home. We have purchased the 'Seesaw' app which can be accessed on any laptop, PC, tablet or mobile device. It can be downloaded from the Apple Store or Google Play Store. Your child and parents/carers will have their own password to log-in and your child's teacher will be able to set them daily tasks during any period of self-isolation. We are working rapidly to get this system set up as soon as possible, and we will send you more details & there will be an online tutorial for parents/carers soon.

Free school meals...

If your child has to self-isolate and they are usually entitled to benefit-related free school meals, we are able to provide a packed lunch if you wish. Please inform us if you wish to take up this option if your child has to self-isolate.







Drop-off and pick-up

Thank you so much to the vast majority of parents and carers who are working with us to ensure you social distance from other adults and families at the start and the end of the day.

Can I please remind parents/carers that the yellow zig-zags on Sugley and Rokeby Streets are there to keep **your** child safe. **Do not stop or park on them** at any point between 7am and 5pm (**this includes stopping in the middle of the road next to the zig zags**). Northumbria Police have been informed that some people are ignoring these rules and will be conducting spot checks and issuing fixed penalty notices to anybody caught stopping or parking on the zig zags. **Thank you for your help with this** – we'd hate for any of our children to be hurt.

Staffing updates

We are pleased to confirm that we have received additional Covid-19 funding from the Government which is enabling us to employ **a new Year 5 teacher** from later this term. This means that for the first time in many years, Lemington Riverside can now offer single-year group classes throughout the school – this is great news for our children. Year 6 will continue to be taught by Mr. Murphy and the new teacher will teach Year 5 until the end of the school year.

I am also able to confirm that **Mr. Chris Murphy** has been appointed as our acting **Deputy Head Teacher**. **Ms Rachel Turner** (our Year 2 teacher, English Leader and Key Stage 1 Leader) is now seconded to our school from Throckley Primary School until the end of the school year and is our **acting Assistant Head Teacher**.

Parent/Carer Update Meetings

At the present time we are unable to offer face-to-face parent/carer meetings with your child's class teacher. However, we will be holding a 'virtual' parents evening later this term. Further details will follow shortly!

Thanks for your continued support!

Take care,

Mr. Heeley

Head Teacher



