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Dear Parents,

## Guidance Update

Further to my newsletter on Friday I said that I would update you on any latest government guidance when it became available. Following an increase of numbers of vulnerable children and children of critical workers attending schools nationally, the government updated their guidance to schools on Friday (*Restricting attendance during the national lockdown*), where they have strongly emphasised that 'parents and carers who are critical workers should keep their children at home if they can.'

This reinforces the message shared with you in my last newsletter and parents have responded by reducing some of the days that they are sending their child into school.

We are working very hard at school to reduce transmission by trying to limit the number of people at school, with staff being on a rota where it is possible, keeping the bubbles within the school separate and following strict hygiene and cleaning procedures.

To support the critical workers in our community we wish to keep as much of our provision open as possible for families for whom it is essential. Unfortunately, this can be a challenge and we have had to close one of our bubbles this week due to a positive case in our community. The rates of transmission outside school are comparable to those within our staff community, with a significant number of staff required to self-isolate. If you are a critical worker and feel that there are days where you may be able to keep your child/ren at home please do so and contact us to advise. [deputyhead@wimbledonchase.merton.sch.uk](mailto:deputyhead@wimbledonchase.merton.sch.uk)

## Remote Learning

On Friday I mentioned that we would be asking parents their feedback on our remote learning provision.

We would be very grateful if you could complete the following survey to help us develop the strategy as we go forward <https://forms.gle/ZMuHqkRGhGemEAj98>. Thank you for the feedback that we have already received. If there are specific issues [for example issues with printers at home, or accessing work on the website] please do inform us through the School office.

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A member of the senior management team is at school at all times to help and we will always do our best to sort any problems. We have supported a number of families with loans of laptops and Chromebooks; if your family is having any technical issues in accessing the remote learning please do email me via the School office.

Best wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K Ellis'.

Mr K Ellis  
Acting Headteacher