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Head teacher – Mrs K Mason

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Dear Parents,

Thank you so very much for your support and patience this week. Obviously vigorous planning has taken place over the summer months to get school ready to enable all children to return. You will find a full and comprehensive Risk Assessment on our school website in the Coronavirus Updates folder should you wish to read it. However, until everyone arrived yesterday it was impossible to understand exactly how it would all come together. We are constantly reviewing and refining our procedures and once the Main Road entrance is open again some class bubbles will enter from the front of school and congestion will be eased.

Below are just a few polite reminders to help keep everyone safe:

- As you can now see, the children are dismissed to you from their allocated gate/entrance. If you have an older child that you wish to leave school independently without being collected please inform your class teacher in writing.
- I am concerned about the number of parents and children waiting in groups outside the main gates to Kerry Drive. Many cars are turning in this area and we want to keep you all as safe as possible.
- Also, I am aware that a number of our parents are anxious about getting to the drive safely while keeping a safe social distance of 2 metres. Please help them to feel safe by not congregating to chat and wait, unless a little further away from the entrance and exit area. While everyone has a different view of the pandemic I'm sure you will agree that we must respect that people have differing health concerns and priorities.
- Only 1 adult per family on the school drive please to keep our numbers as low as possible.
- No dogs please on the school site or around the school gates where people are trying to enter and exit.
- Please try to follow the markings on the school drive as these are mirrored with our markings in the school playground and this will help your child to keep safe by setting a good example.

Thank you to those of you who have taken time to let us know that our systems are working well and their children feel safe and happy. Your child's safety and happiness is always our number 1 priority at Smalley. It has been a really busy week for all the staff at school who have worked incredibly hard to get ready for our first day and it has all been so worthwhile to see the smiles on the children's faces and the happiness that being back at school has brought to them.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs K. Mason.

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