



Monday 7th September 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Parental update letter 7th September

It was lovely to see all the children this morning and welcome them back into their classes. They all looked very smart and eager to start the new school year and all the children I spoke to told me they'd had a great day.

We had a busy day, putting into practice all the protocols and procedures we have been planning all summer. It will take a while for us all to get accustomed to all the new procedures, but today was a good start. Just a few notes from today that will help us even more.

- For children with medical conditions such as asthma and anaphylaxis; please could we request that epipens, inhalers are sent into school with your child and passed on to the class teacher. These will be stored safely in each class bubble and it's very important we have them tomorrow if we didn't have them today.
- On the playground the staggered start and finish went very well on the whole. Now that the children know where they are to line up, it will become even more efficient as the week goes on. Thanks for your patience with this. May I ask that you all observe social distancing from each other with minimum 2m between families. (I understand that you were all very pleased to see other parents today).
- Lunch was delicious today – the cheese panini was very well received. Please be aware that you can order on the day so keep an eye on the menu. Our staggered lunch hour lasted from 11.30am until 1.15pm, and went very well.
- Thomas More High School are lining their classes up outside their building as they manage their Covid precautions. This includes the drive. Please DO NOT drive up to school or request to do so. This applies even if you are late. We are trying very hard to restrict the number of vehicles on site for all the children's safety.

I will keep you very regularly updated on how our new arrangements are going and look forward to your feedback too. I have been making copious notes today of what has gone well and what needs 'tweaking'.

Have a pleasant evening. I imagine that the children will sleep well!

Sincerely

Mr Mooney