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Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing at the end of this half term to update you and to wish you all a lovely break. I was very proud of the way our children returned to school following the extended period of home learning at the start of the year and I am absolutely delighted that this strong start has continued. I am in the process of recruiting new staff to join our growing team here at Vernon. We have appointed some highly-skilled new teaching assistants to enable us to extend our support for children, especially those with additional needs, as well as class support for all children. I am in the process of finalising September's staffing structure and the children will be able to find out who their new teacher is after half term.

Over the last few months, we have been further developing our school curriculum and we will be writing to you in July to outline the exciting changes ahead. This reshaping of the curriculum will enhance and enrich the children's learning experiences across the school. Our Reading Hub is also taking shape, as children from Year 5 are busy working incredibly hard on creating the new displays and reading areas for the whole school to enjoy!

In terms of face coverings and procedures, although wider restrictions in the community are lifting, it is vital that we adopt a cautious approach. We have been advised by the Public Health Team that they are seeing a slight increase in Covid infections, particularly in the North of Cheshire East. This is in addition to the well-publicised increase in numbers caused by the variant in other parts of the North West. The vaccine roll-out is going incredibly well across the area. However, it is important to remember that people who have had the vaccine are still able to spread it to others! It is because of this, that I request that we all adopt a cautious approach and **I ask that face coverings continue to be worn by the person who is dropping off/collecting your child.** Our **current guidelines for dropping children off and collecting them from school, remain unchanged.** All the school in Poynton are taking the same approach with this request in order to keep our community safe.

With only six school weeks left until the end of the year, we are all excited about some of the plans for the next half term. We have lots of wonderful summer activities to look forward to, including our in-house sports days, musical performances, Year 6 enterprise projects, visits to a local church and many exciting classroom curriculum activities. Despite the recent concerns over new Coronavirus variants, I am optimistic that we will be able to provide our children with some normality and an opportunity to enjoy the activities that traditionally mark the end of an academic year. I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a wonderful half-term holiday, especially as the sunshine is starting to make an appearance!

I hope you all enjoy the outdoors during this break and I look forward to seeing the children back in June.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs J Carvell
Headteacher



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