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Wednesday 15th July 2020

Dear Children,

I hope you and your families are all well. It has been so very strange to think that we were only able to enjoy half a year together at school. However, I have been so impressed by how you have worked so well at home with your families – I am very proud of you for showing such great resilience.

Looking ahead to September, all the staff are extremely excited to welcome you back to school in September. The staff have been working hard and using lots of creativity to make sure it will feel as normal as possible for you. It will be a little bit different, but there will be many familiar parts too. The biggest difference is that we will be working in something called a *bubble system*. This is the system that is most likely to keep us safe – along with us washing our hands regularly, keeping distance from others, not touching our faces and continuing to clean the school and equipment thoroughly. In addition to this, we will support you with some guidance around coughing and sneezing! We will all need to apply a lot of responsibility in following all the rules.

At Shelford, one of the very unique parts of our vision is how well all of us live and work in harmony with love for one another. I enjoy seeing this every day in the kindness that is shown and shared between older and younger pupils. However, we now need our classes to be bubbles! Each class will operate separately from the others and you must stay at least 2 metres away from children in other bubbles. The staff in your bubbles must also stay 2m away from each other and every other member of staff.

As you can probably tell, we are working very hard to make the school safe for you in September. Another difference will be that we will be working hard to ensure that people do the following things at different times:

- arrive at school;
- enjoy break time;
- eat lunch and play;
- leave school.

This is to try and reduce the times people may come into contact with others.

We will write to you and your parents again with further details, like timings and other changes. But, rest assured, we will all do our very best to make school as safe and as comfortable for you all in September.

I hope you do have a lovely summer holiday. If you and your family do go abroad, please ensure that you follow all the guidance about quarantining. You should be ready to begin school on the first day – Monday 7th September.

Looking forward to welcoming you back, Mr. Grey

