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6th October 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Update: School Closure

It was necessary to temporarily close the school on Tuesday 29th September due to one confirmed positive Covid-19 case and a further two suspected cases which have since proved to be negative. All schools are faced with the difficult decision to close their school or bubble when positive Covid-19 tests arise. Ultimately, it is the safety of our children and staff that is priority. Therefore, on this occasion we decided to close the school for 14 days. School will now re-open on **Monday 12th October** and we look forward to welcoming everyone back.

During the time of closure, I would like to thank all parents and carers for supporting us through these difficult times. My team have made regular calls to ensure we continue to safeguard our children and we have also carried out a survey to ask parents about remote learning using technology. Thank you for your patience and feedback, it seems most would prefer individual work packs rather than online work/lessons. We will continue to communicate with you to ensure that we continue to provide high quality learning for any pupil who may have to isolate in the future.

We have had a few queries about why our school is a bubble and that we are not in year group bubbles. This is because the number of children we have in each year group is very small. We have Covid-19 measures in place and I continually reflect and update our risk assessment. You can find the full risk assessment on our website www.talbothoustrust.co.uk.

This is new to everyone, across all schools. During this time, we have reflected on our own practice and changed some things within our own school. One of these changes is the seating arrangements in the dining hall, we have added more tables so we can reduce the number of children and staff sitting together even further. We are also asking our children to wear face coverings whenever possible around school but understand that for some, this will not be possible due to sensory or medical reasons.

We are here to support everyone and appreciate the support we receive from you. If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely
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