18th May 2021

Dear Parents & Carers, I hope that you have lots of encouraging feelings with some restrictions being lifted by the Government. I hope that you get to use this time for seeing loved ones again.

I certainly noticed lots of positivity at the gate this morning- a sense of renewed energy!

The building works are all going well and according to plan. Tracey our Premises Co-ordinator and Eddy our Caretaker are doing an incredible job ensuring the contractors on site are all following plans and they attend weekly meetings with County to agree each step. The asbestos that was being removed has all been removed and taken away safely. We hope that the works will be finished by mid-July.

The children are all doing so well, and we are very proud of them- York Road is the busy and wonderful place it always has been right now and I thank each and every one of you for helping to keep us all safe during this difficult last year.

To ensure that this continues, we will carry on asking you to wear a mask during drop off and pick up times and staff will wear them in busy areas such as at the gates, in the school main corridor and when passing each other in busy areas. During the half term holiday please do email me on <u>head@yorkroad.herts.sch.uk</u> should you, your child, or any household member test positive for Covid.

For now, in line with Public Health for England recommendations, we will stay in our current bubbles. Any changes and we will of course update you all.

Please keep an eye out on the next newsletter- some parents are planning a fundraising event- thank you to those of you have agreed to help.

Don't forget the save the date message for the 9th July – 5-7pm end of term family party!

We are working very hard behind the scenes at the moment preparing for those children leaving us in July- arranging transition meetings for our children who need extra support, arranging for Reception class teachers to visit from local Primary schools, teachers starting to think about end of year report writing- lots and lots going on!

I hope that the sun starts to make more of an appearance for us all, it makes such a difference!

Many thanks, Díane Frainer, Headteacher