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Dear Parents/Carers,

Last week within 24 hours school transformed yet again to new systems of home learning.

I'm sure that you, like me, are feeling extremely proud of our whole staff team and we also thank you for your patience as we embrace new ways of working. If you are having any issues, please contact your class teacher initially for support.

At the moment, schools are being instructed to keep children in small consistent bubbles which means that unfortunately there is a limit to the number of children who can be in school during this time. We have received a high demand of applications from our school cohort. We must ensure that this provision is at the correct scale to protect both our staff and the children who attend. If the provision is too large it negates any benefits of the social distancing measures the government has imposed and through associated contacts, children and staff will be exposed to unacceptable risk.

All medical advisers are clear that the safest place for children and families to be at present is at home with as little social contact for those families where it is possible. Children at home are not 'missing' anything. The usual lessons are not happening, the children at school and at home will be accessing the same planned provision for remote learners just accessing this in school. These emergency places are intended for families who have no other adult at home and who are in roles that are immediately required in the response to this virus. Home is the safest place for everyone now. With that in mind we are no longer able to allocate anymore places as our bubbles are full.

We will continue to review this, alongside Government announcements and please feel free to contact Mrs Whelan on head@oakmeadowprimary.co.uk if you have any exceptional circumstances now that you require us to consider.

We want to therefore ensure we are working with you in every way possible to support at home. To supplement the remote learning or for those families who are struggling with household devices, packs can be accessed so please contact your class teacher to discuss this if you have this need. These will be available at set times for each year group for collection.

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I would just like to finish by offering our thanks once again to all our parents, for their unconditional support and particularly also critical workers for your commitment during this pandemic. We are aware that our homes are giving above and beyond in so many ways, Thank you.

Kind Regards

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