



GREAT HOLLANDS PRIMARY SCHOOL

Headteacher: Richard Ferris
BA(Ed) Hons, NPQH

Wordsworth, Bracknell
Berkshire, RG12 8YR
01344 424 911
ghpsoffice@maidenerleghtrust.org
www.greathollandsprimary.co.uk
@MEGreatHollands

13 October 2021

Dear Parents and Carers

I am writing to share an important update of the current situation at our amazing school.

It is a very difficult time right now for the school, we are really struggling with staffing levels, with staff either absent through being very unwell, through testing positive with Covid or having to self-isolate.

We have not been affected this badly since the pandemic started.

When staff are unwell, their colleagues step up and provide amazing support by covering classes / groups and ensuring that our high standards for teaching and learning are not impacted. As ever our goal is to give the children the very best experience when at school.

Please be aware of just how hard it is for the team right now. Most staff are doing the jobs of two or three people and they are doing it superbly to ensure your child gets the best education possible – but it's incredibly hard work.

What I continue to ask of you is your support and understanding. Right now, not everything will happen as smoothly as usual, we are fighting to remain open.

The impact you have is massive, when you show your appreciation with thanks or a smile it really does help; when you empathise with the situation it boosts well-being and when you recognise just how hard the team are working for your child it makes these additional efforts worthwhile.

We can only be successful with your unswerving support; you have been amazing so far – thank you for all you do.

Remember – please keep your distance at drop-off and pick up – don't crowd classroom doors and if your child has any symptoms of Covid – please do not send them to school.

Thank you all for your continued support

Richard Ferris
Headteacher