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Dear parents,

It has been a lovely week at school, with many of our classes accessing the Forest School area and taking part in learning activities linked to anti-bullying. New photographs of the children learning and playing in their class bubbles are available to view under the Learning Zone tab on the school website:

<http://mereworth.kent.sch.uk/september-reopening-photos>

As we move towards colder weather in the coming weeks and months, your child may wish to wear a school fleece over their school jumper whilst in class, to provide additional warmth. Classrooms will continue to need to be well ventilated and as a result they may feel less warm as we balance heat with circulation of fresh air. School fleeces cost £15.00 and are available to pre-order via Scopay. **Please pay in advance by Friday 9th October.** We will not have a supply of these in stock in school so will be placing a bulk order on that date, with delivery expected to take 21 days.

Children will also continue to use their outside learning and play areas in all weathers, so please ensure they have a waterproof coat and wellington boots in school every day (these can be left in school for the term).

Throughout Term 2, we will be holding tours of the school for those parents looking for a Reception Class place for their child in September 2021. **These will take place after school under strictly controlled COVID safety measures.** We would be very grateful if all our current parents could promote our school over the forthcoming months, as this year we will be unable to distribute flyers or hold our usual parent open days. A list of tour dates accompanies this letter and further information is available via the school website under the 'Our Parents' tab: <http://mereworth.kent.sch.uk/september-2021-intake/>

Finally, I am also including our online safety newsletter, which contains useful links and tips to help your children stay safe online.

Thank you for all your ongoing support and have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Lavelle
Head Teacher