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Dear Parents,

We are now several weeks into the Autumn school term which I am pleased to say is going well.

As you know, the government have issued guidance advising schools to relax many of the measures we used last year to reduce Covid-19 infection. As a result, our risk assessment is regularly under review as we progress through the year.

Since we reopened, we have had a number of requests from parents asking whether the school will now allow children to bring in food items as a way of celebrating a birthday or any other event.

In preparation for <u>Natasha's Law</u> being enforced in October 2021, we have made the decision to not allow food items to be brought into school. There is a growing number of children with food allergies in each class and we have a duty of care to keep everyone safe.

Whist we understand that many families enjoy the tradition of sharing food items to celebrate birthdays or events, we would like to offer an alternative option. Moving forward, children are welcome to bring in a book to add to their class library with a personal message inside for their class to enjoy.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Effie Demetriou **Headteacher**