

Montalbo Nursery and Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

May I first thank the whole Montalbo community - the children, yourselves (parents/carers) and all the staff, for adjusting to and following all the changes that have been made at school during the last few months. For getting children to and from school at new times, for wearing masks on site, for conducting parents evenings via telephone calls, for following self-isolation guidelines and, where necessary adjusting to the new booking system for breakfast and after school clubs. All the changes have ensured everyone has been kept as safe as possible.

I visit the school weekly, when all children have left the building, to see and hear about the learning that takes place in school, and earlier this term I had the privilege of having a walk around the outside of the school, observing the learning of the children in their classes. I have been very impressed with how hard all the children have been working this term, exemplifying Montalbo's values of endeavour, collaboration and being inspired. I have seen some very impressive display work around the school, showcasing the children's excellent work.

I am really pleased to see that a full and broad curriculum is being delivered at Montalbo, ensuring all children gain knowledge and skills across the full range of subjects. This term the outdoor learning area has been developed and is being used widely by the teachers and children to improve the quality of education.

I would like to say a huge thank you on behalf of the governors to all the staff. It has been such a pleasure hearing the children playing, laughing, learning and enjoying the company of others once more. Finally, I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a happy new Year.

Sarah

Sarah O'Doherty (Chair of Governors) On behalf of all Governors of Montalbo Nursery & Primary School