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Dear Parents and Carers,

During the autumn term we usually offer the parents of children who are due to start school in the following September the opportunity to visit the school during the school day to see the school in action, to help them to decide if Hawthorn is the right place for their child. Unfortunately, because of the COVID restrictions, we will not be able to offer these visits this year, and in order to protect the children in school and the staff, all of our visits are scheduled to take place when the school is closed.

Visiting an empty building, does not really show Hawthorn at its best, as some of the greatest things about our school are the children – their positive attitudes to school and their learning, their confidence, their friendliness and their caring natures; and the staff who work so hard to ensure that all children have the opportunities to thrive and be successful.

For this reason, we have commissioned a video of the school, which we aim to post on our school website and on our Twitter feed and the PFA Facebook page, to show parents what Hawthorn is actually like.

The video production company will be coming into school next Tuesday (13th October) to film Hawthorn in action. This will include footage of the children at work and play across the school and interviews with staff and children.

Although parents have completed a general consent form to state whether they give permission for the school to use photographs of their child in different situations, we wanted to give parents the opportunity to opt out of this 'special' event if they wished.

Any child who does feature in the video will not be named. The video will only be 2 minutes long and we will have the opportunity within school to view the video before it is posted to ensure that we are fully happy with the contents, and to ensure that all children who feature do so in a positive way.

If you **DO NOT** wish your child to feature in this video, please complete the form that can be accessed through this link, by Friday 9th October.

[Video Consent NOT Given](#)

Many thanks,

Julie Clubley
Head Teacher