

Monday 1st June 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you are all well and starting to get ready for the phased return to school.

Bubble Groups

By the end of the day today you should have received notification of which Bubble your child is in and who their teacher is. There should be a video for each Bubble on the school web site. The video should show your child's new classroom and be an introduction to their teacher. We would really appreciate it if you could talk your child through the video and help them prepare and look forward to coming into school over the next two weeks

Please remember it is completely your decision to send your child back to school and you will not be penalised for not sending them in. We only ask that if you change your mind and want your child to start at a later date then please let us know so we can prepare for their return. We will only be accepting children returning at a later date on a Monday. So if they don't return this week then they can re-join on any of the following dates: Monday 8th June, Monday 15th June, Monday 22nd June, Monday 29th June, Monday 6th July or Monday 13th July.

Risk Assessments

As part of our preparations to re-open the school to more children we have had to think carefully about how to keep your children and the adults in the classrooms safe. As part of this piece of work we have completed a Covid 19 Risk Assessment which you can find on our website in the Coronavirus section. We have also written a Covid 19 appendix to our behaviour policy and a Covid 19 Home School Agreement. All these documents have been adapted to ensure we keep everyone as safe as possible and can be found in the Coronavirus section on our web site.

Home School Agreement

I am attaching the Covid 19 Home School Agreement as this document needs to be signed by you and your child and brought back to school on the first day they return. If you are unable to print a copy there will be some available on the day for you to sign. (Please bring your own pen). It would really benefit your children if you could share the Home School Agreement with your child so they understand how important it is to understand the new guidelines and what it means to help keep everyone safe. It is essential that you sign the agreement in order for all children to return to school on the safest way.

School Uniform

I understand that your children would have ordinarily been coming back to school after half term in their summer uniforms and this may now not be possible with the closure of shops. If they have a summer uniform that fits them then that is great but if not please do not worry. I would not expect anyone to be trying to buy new school uniform at this time. If needed they can come to school dressed as close to a school uniform as possible. Dark skirts, tunics, short or trousers

and tops with sleeves. All shoulders must be covered at all times. Being neat and tidy is expected of all children. Don't forget they should wear trainers and not school shoes as they will be outside a lot and not changing for PE.

What to Bring to School

They should only bring a water bottle, waterproof and hat to school. We will be supplying them with everything that they need for the day.

Where to Go

On the first day you will be met at the gate and asked for your Home School Agreements. If possible this would be the best place for Y6 parents to say goodbye to the children but you can of course come round onto the playground if needed. Y1 parents please bring your children onto the playground. Everyone should find a yellow spot to stand on and then an adult from your Bubble will open the doors and invite the children in. Parents - you must not come through the gates onto the areas immediately outside the classrooms. Once your child is in class please follow the one way system and leave the playground by the side gate around the Children's Centre. Members of staff will be around to guide you. We are anticipating some of the children may be feeling very nervous on the first day so we will do our best to offer reassurances and help settle them in.

I am expecting some hiccups and know that this is a massive learning curve for us all and we will be learning as we go along. However, we are really looking forward to seeing your children from Wednesday 3rd June and looking forward to just getting started!

Yours sincerely,

Lorraine Quirk