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Monday 8th June 2020

Year 1 (Class 2) - Phased Reopening Information

Dear Parent/Carer,

As you will be aware, the school began a wider reopening to children today (Monday 8th June) following Government guidance and advice from the Local Authority. The first children to return were those in Nursery (FS1) and Reception (FS2).

The next children to return to school will be those taught within Year 1 (Class 2). These children will return to school from **Monday 15th June**.

We will be in contact this week with parents affected to ascertain which children will be returning to school. Please note, as mentioned in previous letters, that no parent will be penalised if they decide not to send their child back to school at the current time. If you have decided not to send your child into school but then your circumstances change, please let us know and we can accommodate this.

This letter will outline key information that you need to know in preparation for your child's return to school.

Allocated Days

- Year 1 children will be in on **Monday and Tuesday each week**. This provision may increase if we have the staffing to accommodate additional days.
- When in school, the Year 1 children will stay with the same children and staff throughout the day. They will not mix with children from other groups in school.
- The Year 1 children will be taught by Mrs Marsden and Mrs Lucas.

Start Times/Finish Times

- The school day will start at **9:00 a.m.** for our Year 1 pupils and conclude at **3:15 p.m.** Please ensure arrangements are in place to collect your child at this time.
- If you are a keyworker, and have been accessing keyworker provision, then this will still be available as normal, however please note keyworker children will be staying in their own keyworker group and will not be with other children in Year 1.

Drop Off Arrangements

- In line with Government guidance, we ask that only one parent/carers drops off and collects their child from school.

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- When bringing your child to school, please enter the school site via the normal gate. Please be mindful that you stay socially distant from other families.
- Please wait with your child in front of the school bike shed. Blue markers have been sprayed onto the grass to support social distancing. We request Year 1 parents/children use these.
- At 9:00am, Mrs Marsden will collect the children and lead them into school.
- On entering, children will be required to wash their hands. Due to current circumstances, we are unable to let parents into the school building.
- If for any reason you are going to be late dropping your child off at school, then please phone the School Office to inform them of your expected arrival time. When you arrive, please wait in front of the bike shed and the Office will look out for you and inform your child's group that you have arrived. A member of school staff will then walk around to collect your child and take them into school.

Collection Arrangements

- At 3:15pm, the same arrangements apply. Please wait in front of the bike shed, using the blue markers to social distance. Children will be brought out by Mrs Marsden and then directed over to you. Please leave the school site promptly.

Please note the School Office will not be accessible to parents during this half-term, however, Office staff will be available during the school day via phone/e-mail and will be happy to assist with any queries.

Uniform

- We request that children **do not** wear school uniform this half-term.
- Please send your child to school each day in a clean set of clothes. Government guidance also encourages children/adults to wash the clothes they have been wearing as soon as they get home.

School Dinners

- School dinners will be available (hot dinner option – no school sandwiches or jacket potatoes). These will be eaten within the classroom.
- Children in Year 1 are entitled to a free school meal under the 'Universal Infant Free School Meal' government initiative and this provision is still in place. Alternatively, parents are permitted to send their child with a packed lunch, if they wish. Please ensure that lunchboxes are clearly labelled and taken home each day.

Classroom Arrangements

- Wherever possible, children will be kept 2 metres apart, however this is very difficult to manage in a school setting, particularly with younger children.

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- Classrooms have been adapted in line with Government guidance. Surfaces have been cleared, soft furnishings removed and only play equipment that can be easily wiped down has been kept out for the children to use.
- We request that children do not bring in toys/equipment from home. Any items that the children need, will be provided by school.
- Throughout the day, children will clean their hands more often than usual. Hands will be washed at the start of the day, at dinner, mid-afternoon, at the end of the school day and after coughing/sneezing.
- Year 1 will be making use of the school field. During this time, children will be kept in their own zone to minimise contact with other children in school.
- Please ensure sun cream is applied to your child prior to their arrival at school; at the current time we will be unable to reapply sun cream during the school day.
- Please ensure your child brings a clearly labelled hat into school.
- Children may bring a water bottle to school, however this will need to be taken home at the end of each school day. Please ensure this is clearly labelled. School water fountains will not be accessible during this half-term.
- Your child will not require a PE kit in school this half term as we will be focusing on physical development and not adult-led PE sessions.

Curriculum

- Children will focus on learning linked to the National Curriculum. Phonics, maths and reading will take place on each day as well as learning through play.
- Unfortunately, we will be unable to send reading books home with the children, however staff will listen to your child read in school. Please continue, using books you have at home, to listen to your child read as much as possible. The online Reading Eggs program will be available to Year 1 children shortly.
- Events that would normally take place this half-term e.g. sports day, plays will unfortunately not be able to take place.

Illness

- If your child is ill then please **do not** send them to school and contact the School Office, via phone/e-mail, to let school know.
- If a child has a high temperature/cough/ loss of smell or taste, then they will need to self-isolate for 7 days and members of the household for 14 days. COVID-19 testing is now available and to access this parents will either need to contact 111 online or by telephoning 111.
- If your child develops COVID-19 symptoms within school time, we will contact you immediately and you will be required to collect your child.
- If a member of the group developed COVID-19 symptoms, all parents will be informed.

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As stated in my previous letter, the school provision children are returning to will look very different compared to the provision offered prior to school closure.

The last few months have been difficult for everyone: children, staff and parents. The school has been extremely quiet in these difficult times and it will be lovely to see Year 1 children enjoying school again and we do look forward to welcoming them back.

Thank you to all parents for your continued support.

Mr J Baxter
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