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Dear Parents and Carers

We plan to open after half term to **Pre-Nursery, Nursery and Reception classes**. We will continue to provide provision for the children of **Critical Workers and identified children** in all other year groups. I need to stress that this could change if the government makes further alterations to their plans or for any number of other reasons beyond our control. As you know after careful consideration we are sadly unable to open to Year 1 or Year 6 children at this time. However, we are aiming for our lovely Year 6 pupils to come back for a two week period before they leave us. We may have to adapt our provision to accommodate this.

### Smaller classes

The government recognises that social distancing is challenging for children of primary school age and advises that children are to be taught in small classes or 'bubbles'. Our 'bubbles' will be a maximum of between **10 and 15 children** depending on age. In order to reduce risks these 'bubbles' will be self contained and the children and staff will not mix with children and staff from other bubbles.

### Safety information and full arrangements

We will be **emailing you full safety information and arrangements** on Tuesday 26th May during half term. This will happen following our extraordinary governing body meeting on Monday where we will share our full risk assessment with our governors and Local Authority.

This information pack will tell you which 'bubble' your child is in and which staff are teaching your children. It will also tell you where your child's bubble will be and all the information regarding start and finish times including the detailed arrangements of which gates you use and how your teacher will collect the children from their collection points. We have spaces for all pupils in Pre-Nursery, Nursery and Reception classes but respect any decision you as parents make in regards to sending your children to school.

### Our plan for the first week

Our proposed plan is that the first week after half term we are **closed to all children on Monday 1st June and Tuesday 2nd June for staff training. We will then open in a sequential way to the planned classes**. The rationale for having training and preparation over two days is that school will now be very different for both our children and staff. We need two days so we can train staff whilst following social distancing guidance and prepare all classrooms for the return of children.

Our staff training will focus on the safety expectations and protocols we will use to reduce risk. We are able to use our experience of opening the school for our children of critical workers since lockdown for this purpose. Staff training will include expectations for safety such as: how we will achieve social distancing, safe transitioning into and leaving school, enhanced hygiene routines,





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moving around the school safely in a one way system, staggered outside play opportunities and lunchtimes.

From **Wednesday 3rd June** we are planning to open to our identified classes gradually over the week. The children will come in for half days and leave at the start of lunchtime. To ensure social distancing there will be staggered start and finishing times. This will be shared with you in your information packs. The rationale for this gradual approach is to allow staff time to support our children in learning these new expectations and routines in a child centred way in their new 'bubbles'.

This is the proposed schedule for the week starting **June 1st**:

- Monday and Tuesday - we are closed to all children
- Wednesday - Critical care workers, identified children in all year groups and Pre-Nursery are starting - half days
- Thursday - Reception children starting - half days
- Friday - Nursery children starting - half days

#### Pre- Nursery and Nursery children - first week

Children who usually attended Pre-Nursery and Nursery in the afternoons will not be able to attend these sessions during this first week. They will be able to join us the following week for their afternoon sessions

#### Our plan for week starting 8th June

The week starting the 8th June children in **Pre-Nursery** and **Nursery** may attend their usual sessions. **Reception** may attend full time throughout the week and the **children of Critical Workers and identified children** in all other year groups may attend the days required.

#### Extra points

- Parents and routine visitors will still not be coming into school.
- Staff will have PPE to enable them to safely support all children who need intimate care such as changing nappies, when applying first aid or if they are looking after children who become ill at school.
- We will complete risk assessments for any children who may be planning to come into school but are classified as medically vulnerable. Children who are 'extremely vulnerable' or living with other family members who are 'extremely vulnerable' should not come to school.

Take care

Mrs Mann  
Headteacher

