



Friday 29th May 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Following the confirmation that schools will begin their wider reopening, I am writing to confirm that ours will begin on Monday. Just to be very clear, at this time the provision is only for children of already identified keyworker families, vulnerable children and children in Year 6, 1, Reception and Nursery.

Today, I have sent a very detailed letter to parents and carers of keyworker/vulnerable children and children in Year 6. This letter explains all the arrangements and procedures that you need to know. I will be sending a similar letter to parents of Year 1 children by Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June, and for Reception and Nursery children by Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June.

Once all these children return in their bubbles, apart from staff who are needing to self-shield or isolate, all our staff team will be deployed to teaching in a bubble in school. All our school building spaces will also be fully utilised. This means that unless you are already registered with us as an eligible keyworker family, we are not able to guarantee any more places for children of keyworkers.

Home learning provision will continue for children in Reception, Nursery, Year 2, Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5. Unfortunately, due to demands on staff time, we are only able to continue home learning for vulnerable children in Year 1 and Year 6 who are not able to attend school. If you have chosen to keep your Year 1 and Year 6 children at home for other personal reasons, we encourage you to use the online learning resources you have already been signposted to, including BBC Bitesize and Oak Academy. If you change your mind at any time and would like your child to return to Year 1 or Year 6, we have a place prepared for your child.

As the majority of teachers are in class every day, please understand that the use of Seesaw and Tapestry communication will not be at the same level that is has been since March. However, the teachers will still give some weekly feedback wherever possible.









I understand that many of you will have more personal questions that we have not been able to answer yet. We will do our best to answer these with future communications. You may also find some of the answers in the more detailed letter sent to Year 6 and key worker parents today, which is available for you all to view on our website if you like.

In order to help prepare our younger children for their return, the team plan to send some pictures and videos of their bubble classroom spaces for you to discuss with your child, via Tapestry and Seesaw before they return. Look out for these next week.

I hope this update is helpful. Thanks again for all your patience and support at this incredibly challenging time for us all. I am very proud of how the large majority of our whole school community has pulled together positively and shown understanding, respect, empathy and support for each other. I am pleased to say that despite this awful situation, it really has brought out the overwhelming goodness in the majority of our school community – thank you!

Best wishes,

Liz Hardy and the Senior Leadership Team

Liz Hardy Headteacher





