

## Dear Parents and Carers

I sincerely hope that this weeks newsletter finds you all keeping well and continuing to stay healthy. As you will no doubt be aware, yesterday the Government released guidance for all schools regarding welcoming all pupils back in September. Over the coming week we will be looking very careful at this guidance and seeing how we can safely implement the recommendations. I hope to share our plans with you towards the end of next week. However, there are some clear messages that I am able to share with you at this stage:

Firstly, we are really looking forward to welcoming all pupils back to school at the beginning of the Autumn term. The safety of children and staff will remain our highest priority. All children are expected back in school at the beginning of the Autumn term -unless there are children with significant underlying medical conditions.

The school day will be staggered, this is to allow for social distancing for children and families as they arrive at the beginning and leave at the end of the school day. Staggering will continue throughout the school day with different groups of pupils having their lunch and break times at different points of the school day.

Pupils will be taught in bubbles, the size of bubbles is likely to vary between schools, but generally will be limited to either a class or a year group. This will be similar to the model that we are currently working with at school.

Pupils will be expected to return to school in full school uniform.

At this stage we are considering breakfast and afterschool club. This presents some challenging logistical problems. If you rely on breakfast club or afterschool club and there is absolutely no viable alternative, please contact school. We will look carefully at what we may be able to facilitate.

At the beginning of term the number of after school sports/ enrichment clubs will be very limited and likely only to involve a single bubble. Again, as guidance changes this will be continually reviewed

Finally can I remind you that early next week we will be sharing your child's teacher for next year, this will only be shared via our eSchools app. If this presents a problem for you, please contact the school office by phone.

## We still have a number of pupil reports in the school office that are awaiting collection.

Can I also remind all parents that school will be closing on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July to all pupils. Pupils will finish at the current Friday finishing times of 12.00, 12.15 and 12.30pm

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