

Wednesday 27th May 2020

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Arrangements for after half term from Monday 1st June 2020

I hope you are having a safe and happy half term and are enjoying the sunshine.

I am writing to you to confirm and clarify arrangements for after half term following the letter emailed on Wednesday 20th May which explained our planning and arrangements linked to the possible reopening of schools from 1st June. This letter can also be viewed on our school website.

Our current arrangements are as follows:

- **School will continue to be open for children of critical keyworkers and vulnerable children only on Monday June 1st.**
These places have been booked via the online form which was sent out before half term. This enables us to risk assess and plan staffing safely for this group of pupils. Booking forms for this group of pupils are sent out every week. If you believe that you are a critical keyworker, please refer to the government guidance found here which states who falls within this category:
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintaining-educational-provision/guidance-for-schools-colleges-and-local-authorities-on-maintaining-educational-provision>
- The Government has said that it will make an announcement on May 28th regarding school opening for pre-school pupils, EYFS, Year 1 and Year 6 so I cannot confirm any dates with you for those year groups to return at this stage.
- If the Government decides that we will open, we will do so with a phased return and only when we feel it is safe to do so. This will **not** be on June 1st.
- I can confirm that the health and safety of pupils and staff is our priority and any decisions around opening for Pre-school, EYFS, Year 1 and Year 6 will depend on numbers attending, space available and staff available. This will be risk assessed against and in line with government guidance to determine whether we can open safely for all of those year groups.
- If it is safe to do so, we will open for Pre-school and EYFS first.
- We will then risk assess and, if it safe to do so, we will open for Year 1.
- Only if it is safe to do so, we will then open for Year 6. **Please be mindful that we may not be able accommodate this year group as we may not have the space to do so.**

Please be reassured that we will contact you with information as and when we can. Any return dates will be shared with you once our planning and risk assessments are completed. Please ensure that we have your up to date email address or keep checking our school website for information.

As always, can I take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support and understanding during these challenging times.

Stay safe.
Yours sincerely,

Sarah Bishop
Headteacher

