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Dear Parent/ Carer

As the 1st June draws closer, I wanted to write to you to share how our plans for the re-opening of school are coming along. At the moment, I can only generalise as our plans will evolve as we receive notification of the number of pupils intending to return. To help with this I urge you to please complete the short survey here:

<https://forms.gle/c4n2q9qksWwC26Yr8>

This will help us finalise plans once we know how many children are intending to return to school in June.

I know you will have many questions before you make the final decision about whether to return your child to school. I will try to address some of those here.

How will school be organised?

Each year group will be split in half – Group A and Group B. This half year group will then be sub-divided into further groups to facilitate smaller class sizes in school. We have measured the classrooms and calculated how many children we can accommodate based on maintaining social distancing as much as possible with young children.

The week will then be split as follows:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Group A <i>Prioritised in this order:</i> Reception Y1 Y6		SCHOOL CLOSED Home learning prep Intensive Cleaning	Group B <i>Prioritised in this order:</i> Reception Y1 Y6	
Critical/ key Workers	Critical/ key Workers	Critical/ key Workers	Critical/ key Workers	Critical/ key Workers

Initially, we can offer two full days to each group per week. Critical worker children will be grouped together to offer a full week as per the current arrangements.

To help you to make a decision, here is a brief overview of how school will be different:

- The start and end time of the school day will be staggered to reduce the number of people arriving or leaving at any one time. Before school provision will not be available for pupils other than those key or critical worker children currently accessing it.
- All pupils, including Year Six, must be brought to school and collected by an adult to ensure social distancing at all times.
- Children will enter school via classroom playground doors only and must not congregate on the playground

- Children will be grouped in 'bubbles' with the same adults and children. They will be with some children from their own class but not necessarily all of their friends. Under no circumstances can we change the groupings.
- Reception children will have access to play equipment although this will be limited – this will be cleaned daily.
- Children in school will be taught by the adult working with them (although it may not be their own class teacher).
- Break times will be taken inside or outside in 'bubbles' – these will be staggered so groups do not mix.
- Lunch will be eaten in classrooms in the same group with the adult(s). Only cold lunches will be provided – as usual these will be free for all children in Reception and Year One. For Year Six, these will be chargeable as usual. Packed lunches may be brought from home.
- Desks will be spread 1.5m apart in classrooms.
- School will be closed on Wednesday for all (except key workers) to facilitate a deep clean of each room, provide time for staff to update home learning and hold meetings.
- New school rules and restrictions will be put in place temporarily and failure to abide by these could restrict your or your child's access to school.
- Staff will be provided with PPE for when they are in close contact with a child but not during normal lessons.
- No personal items can be brought into school with the exception of a packed lunch. (For example, no school bags, stationery, mobile phones, toys or snacks).

This is not a definitive list but should give you a feel of how the site and daily sessions will change in order to help you make the right decision for your family.

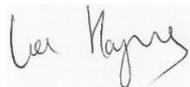
These new rules/routines have been put in place temporarily to ensure the safety of all children and staff and will need to be followed at all times. We would ask that you support school by encouraging your child to follow the rules whilst in school. We would also ask that you as role models to the children follow the rules/routines at all times whilst on school premises.

We will arrange groups of children once we have numbers from the questionnaire – I urge you to fill this in as soon as possible.

<https://forms.gle/c4n2q9qksWwC26Yr8>

Thank you for your ongoing support, your efforts with the home- schooling and you kind messages.

Best wishes



Lee Haynes

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