



First and most importantly I hope you are all well and safe.

Since the schools 'closed' back in March we have been open every day except the two Bank Holidays over Easter and the late May Bank Holiday, so that the children of Key Workers could be looked after while their parents worked on the front line. It has been a privilege to support them.

On June 8th we opened up a bit further and many of the Reception children came back to school. It is lovely to see children we have not seen in school since March.

We will continue to stay in touch with children who are being educated at home and there is material to support home learning available on the school's website and on line.

Now that there are more children back in school we have put in place staggered start and finish times and a one way route through the site in order to minimise any potential bottle necks and maintain social distancing .

To those of you who do have children in school now - thank you for following our arrangements. Your support has made the return of more children and particularly the introduction of more adults onto the site feel very safe.

Now that we have had a government statement that all children will not be expected to return to school before the summer holidays I can confirm that we will **not** be able to extend the number of year groups we have in school. We have to continue to prioritise the care of the children of key workers and vulnerable children and Reception children which sadly means that **Year 1 and 2 will not be able to return to school at the present time.**

All our classrooms are now being used by the children we have in school and all the teachers are busy teaching them. We must continue to abide by the infection control measures particularly the limit of having no more than 15 children in a group in order to keep everyone as safe as possible.

We do not yet know what the guidelines will be about schools returning in September. We hope things will be back to normal but we have had no advice from government that this will be the case.

We know that the government announcement that schools will not be able to re-open widely this summer has left many children and families feeling very anxious about September.

For this reason we have made the decision that **where possible we will move the children's class teacher with their class up to their new year group.** This will mean that the transition back into school will be smoother for everyone involved.

We plan for all children to return to their current classroom on their first day back at school. During the day, their teacher will take them to their new classrooms where they will spend the rest of the day. Children will then be able to be collected from their new classrooms and enter school for there from then onwards.

The new class arrangements will be—

Current Class	September Class	Current Room	September Room	Class teacher	Teaching Assistant
RR	1R	7	4	Mrs Wallach	Mrs Dickeson (Th/F)
RY	1Y	9	5	Mrs Tellam (M/W/Th) Mrs McFall (T/F)	Mrs Bishop (M/Th)
RB	1B	8	6	Mrs Rumboldt	Mrs Wells
1R	2R	5	2	Miss Lawler	Mrs Bishop (W/F)
1Y	2Y	6	1	Mrs Sharp	Mrs Perry (M/T/W/Th) Mrs Smart (F)
1B	2B	4	3	Mrs Hegarty	Mrs Dickeson (M/W)

We are waiting until we know more from the government about which infection control measures will still need to be in place in September.

If we still need to keep children in bubbles of 15 we would be interested to know whether families would prefer children to attend for either a morning or an afternoon each day, or prefer to attend for two full days each week.

We have created a survey to answer this question.

You can find the link in the covering email.

Teacher Training Days for next school year.

Tuesday 1st September 2020

Wednesday 2nd September 2020

Friday 23rd October 2020

Monday 4th January 2021

Wednesday 21st July 2021

One of the things we are most concerned about is the children's transition from Year 2 to Year 3. The Junior School have thought hard about this too and we hope that the material they have sent out will help the children feel more confident about the change.