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Monday 15th June 2020

# Return to School T6, TR and T1

Dear parents / guardians

Starting next week we are delighted to be opening for Team 6 on Monday 22nd June, Team Reception on Tuesday 23rd June and Team 1 on Wednesday 24th June. We are looking forward to welcoming back our wonderful children - we've really missed them.

Risk assessments are all in place to ensure the safety of your child and our staff.

## How will the school be organised?

• On arrival children will clean their hands using sanitizer. This will be provided by a member of staff before they enter the building. We have hand cream on site for the children to use if hands become sore.

• Children will be grouped into 'bubbles' and each bubble has their own hand washing station. They will remain in this 'bubble' and won't be mixed with other children or staff throughout the school day, including play times and lunchtimes. Their movement around the school will be restricted and all transitions will be supported by school staff.

• We fully appreciate and understand that children will be keen to see their friends but they will not be permitted to meet with other classes. Each bubble within a year group will share play and lunch times and although they will be using different zones outside, staff will ensure that children can communicate with each other from a safe distance.

### What are the Social Distancing expectations?

• Children who are old enough will be expected to socially distance from their peers and adults in school and on the playground/field at all times. Teachers will ensure that children, wherever possible, adhere to social distancing measures. There is also child friendly signage around the school to support this.

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• We understand socially distancing may be more difficult for younger children. Reception children will be encouraged, wherever possible, to keep a distance from peers and adults. However, we understand this may not always be possible.

### How can parents help?

To support us with a smooth re-entry into school, we politely ask that parents keep to your staggered drop off and pick up times and if you do come on school grounds to drop off or collect your child, please keep your distance from others, follow all signage and staff instruction and depart the grounds as soon as your child is dropped off or collected. Siblings attending school but in other year groups will follow the times below so that parents can drop off or collect their children at the same time. Please use the eldest sibling's time for drop off and pick up.

	drop off	pick up
Т6	8:45am	2:55pm
TR	8.55am	3.05pm
T1	9.05am	3.15pm

If your child or anyone in the family home is feeling unwell or displaying symptoms of Covid-19, you must not send your child into school.

### Other arrangements

Children do not need to wear uniform. It is important that they wear different clothes every day.

Your child can have a school dinner or they can bring a packed lunch in a plastic bag. (The school lunch menu will be emailed home). All children will eat their lunches in their 'bubbles' and won't be using the hall as usual. School dinners will be brought to the children in their designated classroom.

Please provide your child with a water bottle with their name on. They will have opportunities during the day to safely refill these if needed.

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Teachers will be delivering lessons and helping to provide routine for the children. Over the past few weeks we have had many key worker children return to school and it has been wonderful to see their joy and excitement at being back in school. It is perfectly normal for parents or children to feel anxious or concerned about returning. We are here to support our families with this. Please don't hesitate to contact the school if you have any questions or worries.

Once we have confirmed numbers of children returning, we will then send information home as to which classroom / bubble your child will be in and which teacher they will be with.

Please confirm whether your child will be attending or not via this form by Thursday 18th June 4pm.

Stay safe and take care

Mr S Jevons Miss Reid

Head of School Assistant Head

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