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Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you and your families all continue to be well and your spirits (or fun activities!) have not been dampened by the miserable weather!

Please note the following information:

**In school provision for the last two weeks:**

- Year 6 bubbles in school from **9am to 12 noon every day**
- Year 1 bubbles in school from **9.30 to 11.30am – Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday**
- Key worker bubbles will continue as before from **8.45 – 3.30pm** (please inform school if there are any changes to days needed)

***Please could I remind parents that they should be following social distancing guidelines when dropping off and picking up. This is in line with current Government directives.***

**Transition visits for nursery and reception intakes:**

Individual visits *by appointment only*. Please observe social distancing guidelines when visiting school, there are markings on the street for queuing. Entry will be via the main gate for Reception children and the Nursery gate for nursery children.

- Nursery visits will take place on 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> July.
- Reception visits will take place on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July.

**End of year reporting to parents**

We will be sending out an end of year report during the final week of term. Obviously, this will not be in the same format as usual but we felt that it was important to acknowledge what the children had achieved up until the school closed at the end of March.

Attendance reporting will only include the days up until the lockdown period began – as a school we were just over 96% - well done and thank you for your efforts; I am sure that without this pandemic we would have been on track to hit our target of 97%!

**September plan**

I am sure that you will be aware of the Government intention that all pupils, in all year groups, will return to school full time in September. We are currently planning how we can do this as safely as possible for all children, families and staff. I appreciate that many parents will still be apprehensive about sending their children to school but I would like to reassure you that we will follow all relevant guidance carefully and put in place protective measures to minimise the risks of Covid-19 transmission. It is not possible to have a completely risk-free environment but, for the vast majority of children, the benefits of being back in school, full time, far outweigh the very low risk from Covid-19. We are keen to get our children back on track with their learning and catch up the education that they have missed during the last few months. The only year group where there may be some degree of part time is within our new Reception classes but this will be minimal and what we would normally have in place for new starters.

## Payments to school

We are moving to a cashless system in school – please ensure that you have set up a ParentPay account before the summer break as we will not be accepting cash or cheque payments after the holidays. This not only protects staff but provides a much more secure system where all payments can be traced.

We are aiming to have our Breakfast and After School clubs back up and running in September. Please ensure that any arrears are paid up to date before 10<sup>th</sup> July or the place will be allocated to a child on the waiting list. Payment must be made weekly (by Friday lunchtime) via ParentPay. Please note, we will not accept cash and failure to pay on time will result in the place being withdrawn. We regret having to take such a hard line regarding this club but it is unfair to have children on the waiting list while some attend and have to be regularly chased for payment.

**We will not be running any after school sport or curriculum clubs for the first half of the term.**

## Classes for September

Please see the table below to find out whose class your child is moving into in September.

Current class and teacher		September class and teacher
Reception Mrs Murfet		Year 1 Mrs Clark
Reception Mr Flynn		Year 1 Mrs Clennell*
Year 1 Mrs Clark		Year 2 Mr Flynn
Year 1 Mrs Clennell		Year 2 Mrs Murley
Year 2 Mrs Godwin	MOVING TO ➔	Year 3 Mrs Godwin
Year 2 Mrs Murley		Year 3 Miss Bell
Year 3 Mrs Askwith		Year 4 Mrs Benson
Year 3 Miss Bell		Year 4 Mrs Dickson
Year 4 Mrs Dickson		Year 5 Miss Wilks
Year 4 Mrs Kirkby		Year 5 Mrs Kirkby
Year 5 Miss Wilks		Year 6 Miss Hamflett
Year 5 Mrs Davison/Mrs Duffy		Year 6 Mrs Callaghan

\*Mrs Clennell will be on maternity leave from November and from that point, Mrs Murfet (currently in Reception) will be the class teacher.

## Year 6 Leavers

Please don't forget to send in your page for the Yearbook. The completed books and other end of year mementos will be sent out before the summer break. We will also try to arrange a get together (virtual or socially distanced) for the children to say goodbye to each other, and the school, before the holidays begin.

More detailed information regarding opening in September will be sent out when the plan has been finalised and approved by Governors.

Take care – have a lovely weekend.

With very best wishes



Mrs Jennifer M Gill  
Head Teacher