



June 13, 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

## **RE: Reopening of the School**

We are pleased to report that the staggered reopening of the school for children in Year 1, Reception and Year 6 along with our childcare provision for vulnerable children and those with keyworker parents/carers has been successful. We are now looking forward to welcoming back our Nursery children on Monday.

We would like to say a particular thank you to the vast majority of parents/carers who have read the information, watched our online videos and followed our expectations for social distancing and kept to the one system at drop-off and pick-up times.

We have been especially impressed by the positive attitudes and engagement of all the pupils and are extremely grateful for the support from our parents/carers and the ongoing commitment of our teaching staff, including the way in which they have helped to settle the children back into our new school routines.

## **Home Learning**

We are fully aware of the ongoing challenges for parents/carers whose children remain at home. Please be assured that we will continue to try and develop our online classrooms and increase the availability of resources such as video clips and links to recorded lessons. Please understand that the focus for online learning will now be on those year groups who have not returned to school i.e. Years 2, 3, 4 and 5. It is however important to note that most of our teachers are now expected to lead Learning Bubbles as well as preparing the Home Learning. This will mean that your child may not always receive a prompt reply to their messages. We thank you for your patience as we try to improve our service further.

## **Keyworker Provision**

Please be aware that we are now full to capacity for our Keyworker provision and are currently unable to accept any further registrations. In order to create more capacity in the future and ensure we are able to prioritise the needs of Keyworkers who have no other reasonable childcare alternatives, we would request that where a Keyworker does have another parent/carer available at home, they try to avoid using this service.

## **Reminders and Messages**

- We would like to respectfully remind a very small number of families/children who appear to be breaking social distancing rules as they approach and leave the school to help to keep us all safe by adjusting this behaviour
- We would encourage families and children to avoid arriving at school any earlier than 8.45am in the morning and 3.00pm in the afternoon as this can present problems with social distancing

Thank you for your continued support, cooperation, patience and understanding,

*A. Coleman*

A. Coleman (Head of School)

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