**Information for parents who have confirmed that their child will be returning to school on 22nd June**

Dear Parents,

As I am sure you are aware there will be several changes to the way in which school operates when we open to more year groups on 22nd June.

We will be creating three evenly sized ‘bubbles’ and integrating the key worker children into those bubbles.

EYFS bubble – reception and key worker nursery children, based in the foundation stage unit with Miss Jones

Year 1 bubble – year 1 only, based in Mrs Bott’s room

Older bubble – Y6 and all keyworker children from Y2 to Y5, based in Mrs Vitti and Miss Crowe’s room

**Staggered start and finish times**

In order to reduce congestion at the school gate we have been asked to stagger our start and finish times. Please do not congregate and chat at the gate.

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|  | Start | Finish |
| EYFS | 9.30am | 3.00pm |
| Y1 | 9.15am | 3.15pm |
| Older | 9.00am | 3.30pm |

Key worker children may arrive at 9.00am and leave at 3.30am if necessary, otherwise they should follow the timings of their bubble. **Key worker nursery children should only attend on their pre-booked days.** Other key worker children may attend full time if required.

If you have children in more than one bubble please use the timings for the older child.

**What will school look like?**

**Following DfE guidelines we have made a number of changes.**

* Children will be met at the gate at their allocated start times. Parents will not be able to enter the school site without an appointment.
* Children will be wearing school uniform but will be spending a lot of time outdoors – please apply sun cream at home and make sure your child has a coat and outdoor shoes. If your child has outgrown their uniform please ensure that they wear something as similar to uniform as possible.
* All internal and external doors and windows will be open to minimise touched surfaces and maximise ventilation – children will need their jumpers!
* Nothing else will be transferred between school and home (no toys, book bags etc.)
* Children will be entering and exiting their classrooms via the external doors. The groups will have designated sinks and toilets.
* The playground and garden areas will be zoned to keep the groups separate.
* Soft toys and furnishings have been removed.
* For the older and Y1 bubbles desks are in rows and children have individual pots of equipment. They will be able to use designated IT equipment.
* Children will be able to use toys but not share them, as they have to be washed between children.
* All children should bring a water bottle as well as any drink they may be having with a packed lunch.
* Children may bring a mid-morning snack of fruit.
* Children who normally pay for milk may continue to do so, please order online at cool milk.

**Meals**

The kitchen will be open and all children in reception and Y1 will be provided with their universal free school meal. Free meals will also be provided for those children in Y2 to Y6 who are entitled to them and meals will also be available to purchase. Meals will be eaten in the classrooms

**Illness**

If your child is showing any sign of illness they must not attend school. If a child is taken ill in school they will be isolated and you will be asked to collect them as soon as possible.

**Behaviour**

For the health and safety of everyone in school and their families it is very important that all the children follow our school rules and our new routines. They will be expected to adhere to social distancing guidelines according to their age and understanding. Poor behaviour will not be tolerated and parents will be asked to collect children who refuse to comply.

Jo Griffin 16.6.20