



Summer Term

Dear parents, carers and children,

Wider opening for Years 2, 3, 4 and 5

On Tuesday, the Secretary of State for Education announced that the government has withdrawn their ambition for all children to return to school before the summer. He went on to say that schools could take additional children back if they had the capacity to do so. It is with a very heavy heart that I write to say we will not be able to welcome additional year groups back to school before the summer for any long period of time. This is because the 15 pupil limit on class sizes and our current pupil numbers of Key worker and priority children in EYFS, Year 1 and Year 6 means that we have no empty classrooms to use and all of our teachers who are able are already teaching a bubble.

We know that you all, or most, of you are really keen to come back to school and that for some of you being away from school, your teachers and your friends is a cause of worry. Your teachers and I also really want to see you all too and are very sad that a full return to school is not possible. We also really wanted for you to be able to say goodbye to your current teachers and meet your new class and teachers: So we have come up with a plan!

The Plan

Our plan is for the final week of term to be a transition week. To create capacity, we will ask Year 6 pupils not to attend for four days during this week, apart from the Friday. During this week, children from all year groups will be invited into school for two days, either Monday and Tuesday or Wednesday and Thursday. All the current safety measures will remain in place, classes of 15, additional handwashing, staggered entry and staggered playtimes etc. To achieve the safety requirements, each class will be split into two groups either group A or group B and invited to attend for 2 days as shown below. On the first of the two days, pupils will spend the day with their current teacher, this will be a chance to say goodbye. On the second of the two days, pupils will spend the day with their new teacher for transition. On the final day of the school year, Friday 17th July, only Year 6 will be invited back into school for one final celebration and goodbye.

Date:	13 th July	14 th July	15 th July	16 th July	17 th July
Pupils attending	Group A ½ of - R, 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5	Group A ½ of - R, 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5	Group B ½ of- R, 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5	Group B ½ of - R, 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5	Year 6 and Keyworkers only
Activities:	Day 1: with current teacher in current classroom with the aim to say goodbye	Day 2: with new teacher in new room with the aim of secure transition	Day 1: with current teacher in current classroom with the aim to say goodbye	Day 2: with new teacher in new room with the aim of secure transition	Year 6 goodbye picnic, shirt signing and assembly broadcast

We will, of course, ensure that siblings are offered the same two days.



Next Steps

On Friday the 26th June, you will receive a letter/email to confirm what class your child will be in next year and if you are in group A (attending on the 13th and 14th July) or in group B (attending on the 15th and 16th July) for transition week. The letter will contain a link to a survey, if your child is going to attend please complete the simple form via the link.

Parents must register their child's attendance by 3pm on the 3rd July. We will then send further information about the finer details in the week beginning the 6th July.

September

I know most people are anxious about what schooling in September may look like, myself included. The truth is, at this point we still do not know until the government make an announcement. During the evening briefing on Wednesday, the Prime Minister stated that it was his intention for all pupils to return to school in September. However, we do not know if this will be on a full or part time basis. We are planning for a range of scenarios and as soon as the announcement is made, and we are able to do so, we will share plans with you.

Until then, we will continue to plan our transition week and are looking forward to seeing, I hope, all of you in July.

Kind regards



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