

ST BOTOLPH'S C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL

18th May 2020

Dear Parents/Carers of Children in Year 6

School Reopening Arrangements

I hope you are all keeping safe and well.

As you will know, schools will reopen for children in YR, Y1 and Y6 from Monday 1st June, dependent on the five key tests set by the government.

The Government has recognised that children find it very difficult to socially distance and have therefore put in place the following measures:

- Avoid anyone with symptoms
- Frequent hand cleaning and good respiratory hygiene practices
- Regular cleaning
- Minimise contact and mixing

Based upon this, we have organised the provision below for Year 6 children returning to St Botolph's:

Morning Drop-Off

- Children to come into the school grounds on their own and to enter their classrooms through external doors only.
- The drive in drop off area will be open but we ask parents who use this to remain in their car.
- Drop off times will be staggered - Year 6 will need to arrive school at 8:40am.

Teaching/Classrooms

- Children will be grouped into "*bubbles*" of no more than 15 pupils; these will be sorted by register order.
- Each *bubble* will be led by a teacher and, where possible, have a TA. These staff will remain with the children for the entire time. The overriding principle here is for consistent adults, with no mixing between groups.
- Classrooms will be de-cluttered and cleared of all soft furnishings to allow for improved cleaning.
- Desks will be spaced apart as far as is practically possible.
- Regular hand washing routines will be established within the class setting, with hand sanitiser provided.
- Children are encouraged to bring in their own pencil case, which they will leave in school, or will be provided with their own school equipment for personal use.
- Book bags and reading books should not be brought to school; equipment should not go back and forth between school and home.

- Children will need a PE kit, which will be left in school.
- Where possible school uniform should be worn. If children have outgrown their uniform, they may substitute trousers with plain coloured jogging bottoms or leggings and school jumpers with a plain coloured top. Inappropriate clothing for school will not be allowed.

Playtime/Lunchtime

- Playtime and lunchtime will be staggered, with allocated areas in the outdoor area for each *bubble* and an allocated slot to eat lunch; the principle is that the 'bubbles' should not mix at all.
- School dinners will be available and should be paid for via ParentPay as usual, unless children are eligible for free school meals.
- Each *bubble* will be provided with their own outdoor play equipment.

End of School Day

- At the end of the day, the children will leave the school playground via the 'new' pedestrian gate. Can parents please arrange a suitable meeting place with their child, away from the school entrance.
- The school day will end at 3.00pm for Year 6.

Parent Communication

- Year 6 parents will not be allowed to enter the school site.
- Any communication will be via email or telephone.
- If face to face contact is necessary, it will be by appointment only, with one parent only, with strict social distancing measures adhered to.

Online Learning

- The current online provision will change. If you choose not to send your child into school, work will still be available online but teachers will obviously be busy teaching the children who are in school.

Can I now please ask you to complete the following online form, by **Wednesday 20th May**, informing us whether your child/ren will be returning to school on 1st June:

[Reply Form](#)

Kind regards

Mrs A Chitty
Head Teacher