

12th June 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have been open to more children since Thursday 4th June 2020 and the government has no current plan to open up schools in England to more year groups. Indeed, many schools up and down the country have not opened up further. Our 3rd round of **booking is now open and will run until midday on Wednesday 17th June 2020**. Children who are allocated one of the remaining places will start on Monday 22nd June 2020. We will keep a waiting list and will reallocate spaces as they become available. If your child is already attending, you do not need to contact us.

We are working to very strict government guidance, reflecting the need to continue to reduce risk where we can, and school looks very different for those who have returned. With the need to socially distance when inside, we have been able to set up 7 'bubbles' of children and teachers. Each bubble of 15 is split over 2 classrooms. No bubbles may mix during the day and therefore children have to arrive and depart at different times and have separate playtimes. All our classrooms are now in use. Our computer suite is full of tables, chairs and resources because we have had to clear classrooms so that every surface can be disinfected daily. Our expressive arts hall is now a socially distanced staff room. Our main hall is a socially distanced work space for staff who are clinically vulnerable and not able to work face to face with children. We are not using our dining hall and are delivering packed lunches to classrooms.

Bubble	Drop off	Pick up	Year Group*	Classrooms	Teachers
1	9.00 – 9.05	2.30 – 2.35	Reception	1 and 2	Miss Townsend and Miss Taylor
2	9.05 – 9.10	2.35 – 2.40	Reception	3 and 4	Mr Sapsford and Miss Telfer
3	9.10 – 9.15	2.40 – 2.45	Year 1	7 and 8	Miss Sheldon and Miss Deakin
4	9.15 – 9.20	2.45 – 2.50	Year 1	9 and 10	Mrs Boekee/Mrs Cook/Mrs Armitage and Mr Taylor
5	9.20 – 9.25	2.50 – 2.55	Year 6	11 and 13	Mrs Dowdall and Miss Bright
6	9.25 – 9.30	2.55 – 3.00	Year 6	12 and 14	Miss Wattis and Miss Sewell
7	8.50 – 9.00	3.05 – 3.15	Year 3-5	5 and 6	Ms Merriman

(*Vulnerable children and children of critical workers have been placed in the most appropriate bubbles)

We have capacity for 105 children in total on site under the current guidance. 55 children whose places were booked in round 1 by the 22nd May 2020 were in school on the 4th June. By the end of round 2 on the 4th June 2020 we had allocated 92 places. I anticipate that many of the remaining places will be allocated to the children of critical workers as schools and other settings begin to open. In following the government guidance, I anticipate that we may disappoint some families in round 3.

The government guidance dictates that we prioritise places in the following order:

1. Children of critical (key) workers (Please fill in the form in the 'letters 2020' section of the website)
2. Children with Education, Health and Care Plans and those with a social worker
3. Children in Reception
4. Children in Year 1
5. Children in Year 6
6. Other children currently attending school part-time who we have been supporting because they would benefit from some continued educational provision

We are fully aware of the continued debate over whether opening schools at this time is the right thing to do. We will continue to do our very best to support the children who remain at home.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours

Ben Tull
Headteacher