



Bearness Voluntary Primary School



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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you are all staying safe and were able to enjoy the lovely weather that coincided very nicely with half term.

As you are aware, this week has been the start of our next phase of opening for EYFS, Year 1 and Year 6 joining our 'Key Group' in school. Each group remains in their 'bubble' and we have been so impressed with the behaviour and acceptance of our new routines. Working in 'bubbles' with children and staff staying separate from the rest of the school each day helps us to meet the rigorous risk assessments and guidelines, but ultimately results in a school life that is a little different. We are all dedicated to ensuring that the children's relationships with their peers and staff are nurtured and that we continue to respond to the needs of the individuals in school.

Thank you to you all for being punctual at the beginning and ends of days and for taking care with social distancing. It really has helped us to maintain the staggered timetable and very best levels of safety for children, staff and yourselves.

As things move forward and more children take up places in school, or if the government ask us to take further year groups, we will need to plan carefully how we maintain bubbles of 15 as per the guidelines. Ultimately this may mean part-time timetables. We will of course keep you informed with regular updates should we need to alter timetables for the children. It is our intention to have as many children as required in school as regularly as possible.

We ask that EYFS, Year 1 and Year 6 parents inform us of their return to school or of any changes. Places for the following week must be booked by calling Mrs Hayes in the office by Thursday at 12pm each week. This helps us to be fully informed and plan correctly for children's needs and staffing.

A reminder of the times of the school day

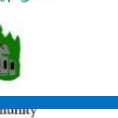
We will be able to offer breakfast club to the critical worker group only during this time.

- **Critical worker children to start school between 8:00am & 8:30am** - enter school via the side gate. They will be met by a member of staff and directed to go and wash their hands, apply sanitiser and sit at named desks (monitored by staff) for breakfast
- **Other key group pupils arrive at 9:00 am** - enter school via the office door from the front playground
- **Y6 pupils to arrive at 8:45am** - enter school via their classroom door from the front playground
- **Y1 pupils to arrive at 9:00am** - enter school via KS1 gate on the front playground
- **EYFS pupils to arrive at 9:15am** - Pupils to enter school via EYFS gate on the front playground

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A staggered end to each day

- **2:45pm EYFS children to be collected** from the EYFS gate at the front of school. All social distancing measures to be the same as morning drop off
- **3:00pm Y1 children to be collected** from the KS1 gate on the front playground where they were dropped off. All social distancing measures to be the same as morning drop off
- **3:15pm Y6 children to be collected** from their classroom door via the front playground - teachers will line children up and bring them to the door. All social distancing measures to be the same as morning drop off
- **Critical workers** may collect their children between 3:15pm and 3:30pm
- **The remaining children in the key group** will collect their children at 3:15pm

Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any questions.

Kind regards and best wishes to you all.



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