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Dear parent/carers,

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all your support and positive messages over the past few months. Working together like this has enabled us to ensure the best possible learning experience for our children during these changing times.

In order to support your future planning, we wanted to share our plans with you, leading up to the summer and beyond. We want to be as transparent about our planning with you as possible.

This term

- Key worker and vulnerable children continue to attend school in their bubbles. We will send out a childcare booking form for the final weeks and will continue to allocate any remaining days to those on the waiting list whilst adhering to government guidelines.
- Some Reception children attend in bubbles daily.

Summer holidays

- The Secretary of State for Education has confirmed that schools will not be opening over the summer holidays; this includes provision for vulnerable and key worker families. We will be following this guidance and will be closed for all pupils over the summer holidays.
- For those families who are in receipt of free school meal vouchers, these will continue in the same way.
- Before the end of term we will be signposting parents/carers to activities and support from external agencies that will be available over the summer period

September 2020

- New guidance was released by the government yesterday and planning will be complex and challenging.
- Our extensive risk assessment will be fully reviewed and adjusted in line with the new government guidance to keep children and staff safe.

- We anticipate all children will return to school and remain in class bubbles. Start and finish times will be staggered.
- If there is another outbreak of Covid-19 over the summer, and the country/region goes into lockdown, the government has made curriculum plans so we can immediately revert back to distance teaching on Google Classroom.

Provisional arrangements for start of term

If it is safe to return to school, our current plans are:

- Thursday 3rd September – INSET day –Safeguarding and risk assessment training for all staff. No children in school
- Friday 4th September. All children in Years 1 - 6 (as of September) will be welcomed back to school. The new Reception class will have their own transition arrangements.

These are only provisional arrangements and we will continue to adjust and refine our plans throughout the summer as we receive updates from the government so please continue to check your Parentmail for these communications over the summer.

Again, we would like to thank you for your patience and support throughout the pandemic.

Kind regards,



Charlotte Bull
Headteacher