Wednesday 20th May 2020

Dear Parents

I hope you are all keeping safe and well. Thank you for the way you have been supporting and encouraging your children to continue their learning at home. The staff have been really pleased with how well they have engaged with lessons.

Schools have been told to plan ready to start bringing pupils back to school from June 1st and so I am writing to share some information with you. We have been working hard to assess the risks of bringing staff and pupils from **Reception**, **Class 1**, **Class 6** and children of **key workers and children classed as vulnerable** over the coming weeks and below I have outlined the key information for you. Please take time to read the information below and consider whether you would like your child to return to school. It is entirely your choice and your children's health and safety, along with that of our staff will be our number one priority. There will be no judgement from us whatever decision you make and no fines will be issued for keeping your child at home. If you choose to send your child back to school, they will be in full time and provided with work for their age group. Parents cannot dip in and out of this. Children who do not return to school will continue to receive their learning from the school website.

We will contact you from June 1st to confirm the date when your child may come back to school. We will be gradually welcoming children back into school from June 8th beginning with Class 6.

Staff will not wear protective clothing but will have aprons, gloves and the usual items we would use for first aid. We will do our best to encourage social distancing between children but cannot guarantee this, especially with the younger children. Staff will be planning lessons for the children, as they would usually. They are therefore entitled to have their Planning, Preparation and Assessment Time (PPA). In order to minimise the flow of adults having contact with the children, PPA will happen on a Friday afternoon from 12.30. Therefore school, will close at 12.30 on Fridays in order for teaching staff to have their PPA time.

Key information

Year 6

- Pupils will return to school after June 8th (we will contact you from June 1st by telephone to let you know their start date).
- They will be taught in groups of 10 in 3 different classrooms.
- Desks will be spaced out and children will have equipment that is not shared with others
- They will be taught from the front of the class and will have to stay in their seats at all times
- They will stay in that group of 10, all day, every day, with the same teachers and have their break and lunchtime together in their own areas away from others
- They will start school at **8.50** and will stand on marked lines in the playground 2 metres from each other
- They should wear clothes that can be changed and washed each day they do not need to wear school uniform
- They should bring a packed lunch each day unless they have a school dinner and then a packed lunch will be provided
- Children should not bring anything else from home
- Only 1 parent or family member can drop off and collect a child or your child can walk home with your permission
- School will be regularly cleaned and children will be washing their hands many times throughout the day and before and after they go outside.
- Each class will have a supply of sanitiser, anti-bacterial spray, gloves, tissues and other cleaning equipment
- Children will move in and out of classes 2 metres apart
- The school day will finish at 2.30 to allow for thorough cleaning to take place each day

Year 1

- We will contact you from week commencing June 8th to let you know the date your child may return to school. This is likely to be from week commencing June 15th.
- They will be taught in groups of 10 in 3 different classrooms.
- Desks will be spaced out and children will have equipment that is not shared with others
- They will stay in that group of 10, all day, every day, with the same teachers and have their break and lunchtime together in their own areas away from others
- They will start school at 9.00 and will stand on marked lines in the playground 2 metres from each other
- They should wear clothes that can be changed and washed each day they do not need to wear school uniform
- They will have a lunch provided each day and be well spaced out to eat it.
- Children should not bring anything else from home
- Only 1 parent can drop off and collect a child
- School will be regularly cleaned and children will be washing their hands many times throughout the day and before and after they go outside.
- Each class will have a supply of sanitiser, anti-bacterial spray, gloves, tissues and other cleaning equipment
- Children will move in and out of classes 2 metres apart
- The school day will finish at 2.45 to allow for thorough cleaning to take place each day.

Reception Class

- We will contact you from week commencing June 15th to let you know the date your child may return to school. This is likely to be from week commencing June 22nd.
- They will be taught in groups of 10 in 3 different classrooms.
- They will be able to play with equipment that can be washed and sterilised at the end of each day. It will not be possible for the children to stay 2 metres apart so they will be taken to wash their hands often and told to try not to touch their faces.
- They will stay in that group of 10, all day, every day, with the same staff and have their break and lunchtime together in their own areas away from others
- They will start school at 9.10 and will stand on marked lines in the playground 2 metres from each other
- They should wear clothes that can be changed each day not uniform
- They will have a lunch provided each day and will be well spaced out to eat it.
- Children should not bring anything else from home
- Only 1 parent can drop off and collect a child
- School will be regularly cleaned and children will be washing their hands many times throughout the day and before and after they go outside.
- Each class will have a supply of sanitiser, anti-bacterial spray, gloves, tissues and other cleaning equipment
- Children will move in and out of classes 2 metres apart
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Parents of Key workers or vulnerable pupils who are not in reception ,year 1 or year 6 who wish for their children to return to school, please email me on the email below.

School will contact parents of year 6 children from 1st June to ask whether or not you will be sending your child back to school from week commencing 8th June. We will contact parents of year 1 and reception classes after Year 6 are settled back from June 8th.

If you have any questions or want to discuss this any further please contact me at: liz.holliday@stpeterscofe.org.uk

Many thanks for your understanding.

God bless you and your families, Mrs E. J. Holliday