



Sunday 3rd January 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Confirmation of a place for your child – critical worker or vulnerable child status

I am writing to confirm that following either the completion of the PMX form, or in liaison with Mrs Rondeau, that **your child is able to return to school on Tuesday 5th January 2021.**

Please note the following important information:

- **Your child should be brought to the Radcliffe Gardens Gate entrance at 8.40am** and a member of staff will call the children in one year group at a time. A member of the Reception team will be there to greet Reception children and walk them in to school and all other year groups will have teachers waiting for them in the classrooms, entering school independently as they usually do. We ask that you arrive promptly and stand well back from the gates, adhering to social distancing.
- **Children will be taught in year group bubbles** in the following classrooms, with an average of 15 children in each bubble.

Reception – Fox Class
Year 1 – Rabbit Class
Year 2 – Robin Class
Year 3 – Ash Class
Year 4 – Walnut Class
Year 5 – Cedar Class
Year 6 – Chestnut Class

Teachers and Teaching Assistants in each year group will be on a rota so that they teach the children in school and teach those at home via remote learning on Tapestry (Early Years) and Microsoft Teams (Years 1 to 6).

- **School finishes at 3.10pm** so we will open the Radcliffe Gardens Gate a few minutes before this for you to collect your child in the usual way. The usual one way system will be in operation; exits will be Beans gate or Harbury Road Gate as before Christmas. **All Reception children will be dismissed in to the Reception Garden area (as per Fox and Badger's usual arrangements).**



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- **School dinners will continue to be provided for Reception, Years 1 and 2** (unless of course, you have already told us that your child brings their own packed lunch). We would like to be able to offer a school dinner for KS2 children given that we will have far fewer children in school but it has not been possible to organise this in the very short space of time we have had to make all these arrangements. **Therefore if your child is in Years 3 to 6, please send them in with a packed lunch** and we will let you know whether it is indeed possible to provide a school dinner. Our priority has to be continuing to ensure that bubbles don't mix so it may be that we have to keep to our existing arrangement– please bear with us and await further information on this.
- Having allocated your child a place, **it is preferable for consistency and continuity for your child's learning and wellbeing, that they do attend each school day.** We have provision in school for them for the full school day, accessing the full curriculum. **Children should attend school for a full day and cannot be dropped off or collected at any other times than those stated above.** That said, we are aware that some parents do not work every day and may wish to keep their child at home on the days that they are at home themselves. If this is the case, I must remind you that they will still need to access the learning for that day and there is an expectation that they complete the activities set on Tapestry or Microsoft Teams. **We also ask that if your child isn't going to attend school then you let us know at the earliest opportunity – preferably an email at the beginning of the week.**
- **Children should come to school in their full school uniform.** They do not need a PE kit this week (although that is not to say that they won't be doing some physical activities!) We hope you will appreciate that we still have a fair bit to plan and organise so can't confirm PE days at this stage!
- Most importantly, while this letter is confirmation that your child is able to return to school on Tuesday, **it is imperative that your child does not attend if they are showing any symptoms of COVID-19 or if they have to isolate.** The arrangements for this are no different to before the Christmas holidays and the COVID Flowchart should still be adhered to.

As always, do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions. We hope that you and your family remains safe and well during these continued difficult times.

Yours sincerely



Mrs Louise Wood
Headteacher