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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to inform you of some of the provisional arrangements for the return of all pupils on Monday 7th September 2020. We are following the Government guidance and will be implementing sensible and proportional control measures to reduce the risk to the lowest reasonably practicable level.

School Day

The school day will start at 9.00am and finish at 3.20pm.

School 'Bubbles'

There will be the following 'bubbles' in school:

Rainbow

White

Purple

Blue/Pink/Green

Red/Orange

FE/Yellow

The movement of pupils around the school site will be kept to a minimum throughout the school day. It may not be possible for all curriculum activities to take place at the start of the school year.

Arrival/Departure of Pupils at the Start/End of the School Day

There will be staggered transition from and to transport at the start and end of the school day. There will be clear pathways to and from class bases with pupils not entering or leaving the school via the hall or reception. Please could we ask that parents bringing their child to school do not enter the school site until 9.00am. Similarly, please do not enter the school site until 3.20pm at the end of the school day. Please can only one parent per child enter the school site where possible. Parents bringing their child to school and collecting from school will transition on the path by the canopy with social distancing in place.

This staggered transition at the start and end of the school day will take longer than normal and your support with this would be appreciated.

Playtime and Lunchtime Arrangements

Playtime will be staggered with defined areas to play for 'bubbles'. Lunch will be class based and parents will need to provide a packed lunch for their child each day. Those children who are entitled to free school meals or universal free school meals (Years R, 1 and 2) will be provided with a packed lunch each day.

General Hygiene

Pupils will be supported to clean their hands regularly throughout the school day, including when they arrive at school, when they return from play, before and after eating and after using the toilet. All learning resources will be cleaned after a 'bubble' has finished using the resources. Frequently touched surfaces will be cleaned more often than normal.

We will be doing everything possible to minimise contacts between individuals and maintaining social distancing wherever possible. It is important to recognise that maintaining social distancing is not always possible, particularly when staff need to provide care support for pupils. It is also important to recognise that many of our pupils cannot socially distance from staff or each other.

I look forward to working in partnership with you to support your child's learning, independence and development. Please do not hesitate to contact me at school if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely,

Justin Innes
Headteacher