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'Learning For Life'
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Dear Parents/Carers

As you know this has been an unusual term in so many ways. However, with the return of some of the children from June 1st it feels good to be writing a newsletter and making small steps towards returning back to normal as a school.

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Arrangements for Years R, 1 & 6

Here is a reminder of the information sent out just before half term regarding the new arrangements for June 1st

- **Please do not send your child to school if your child is unwell under any circumstances**
- The times are as follows: -

Year 6:	9.00am - 3.30pm	Line up by the shed on the spots
Year 1:	9.15am - 3.15pm	Line up by Class 1s fire exit door on the spots
Reception:	9.30am - 3.00pm	Line up by the KS2 art cupboard door on the spots
Keyworders children:	9.00am - 3.30pm	Line up by the shed on the spots

- Reception children **will not** come to school on a Friday
- School will close at **12:00** on a Friday for Year 1 and Year 6
- Only one parent must accompany their child/ren to school at drop off and pick up.
- For collection, Parents must wait outside the school gate whilst socially distancing.
- Children will be brought onto the playground and will be dismissed by their teacher at their allotted time to you outside the gate (**Reception 3 pm, Year 1 - 3.15pm, Year 6 - 3.30pm**)
- The school office will be **closed** for face to face communication and contact (please phone).
- There is a drop box on the wall by the gate for any letters or correspondence

Reminder:

- Children should wear school uniform where possible, suitable for PE and outdoor activity
- Children should wear footwear suitable for running around
- Children must bring their own lunch, water bottle and a healthy snack
- Children may bring in their own pencil crayons (Y6 and Keyworker children pen and felt tips)
- R and Y1 should bring in their book bag, Y6 one bag only

We need to put all these rules and timings in place to adhere to the government guidelines which are set out to minimise the risk of spreading infection. We will also be timetabling handwashing as well as regularly disinfecting surfaces. On Friday afternoon there will a full, deep clean of the school.

Arrangements for Years 2, 3, 4 & 5

Your year groups have not been chosen for the first phase of the re-opening of schools.

- We have planned the same (age-related) work for those children in school and at home
- We will continue the weekly email for you all with attachments
- Teacher will continue to be available for telephone/email support
- Please continue sending in emails and photographs
- We will be setting up correspondence between pupils in school and those still at home

Timetable and Staffing

As the children start to return from June 1st we aim to gently reintroduce the children back to school life and routines. There will inevitably be a whole range of mixed emotions from everyone so there will be a lot of flexibility to start with. As far as possible, the returning year groups will have their usual teacher who will slowly get back to the regular routines and timetables that the children are familiar with.

There will a focus on reintegration for all children and then Reception and Year 1 will target reading skills and Year 6 will target maths and english in preparation for their move to secondary education. For all years there will also be a focus on outdoor learning.

Mrs Dornan has kindly offered to cover the Reception class for the 4 days they start back.

Mrs Marshall and Mrs Smith will take Year 1 in school and Year 2s home learning.

Mrs Ridgway will be in charge of outdoor learning, Year 3 and 4s home learning and Year 6s science and geography.

Miss Smith will take Year 6 and home learning for Year 5 and also run the school.

Mrs Griffin will support Miss Smith and Mrs Dornan as well as helping with the Friday deep clean. We will not have Mrs Lawrence in the kitchen and Mrs Brooks will be working from home to start with.

As usual, we all have many hats to wear and many roles to cover so please be patient as we adapt again to new systems.

INSET and Dates

We will no longer be having the INSET day on Friday 19th June. Year 1 and 6 should come in to school on that morning.

Here is a basic outline of a few dates to note which will be updated as things progress.

Date		
June 1 st	-	School re-opens for Reception, Yr1, Yr6
June 19 th	-	No Inset Day- Yr1 & 6 in am
July 17 th	-	Reports home
July 24 th	-	Last Day of Term
Sept 1 st	-	Autumn Term begins Admin Day for all staff with safeguarding training
Sept 2 nd	-	Children back to School

New RSE curriculum

The Department for Education has introduced a new curriculum for Relationship Education, Relationships and Sex Education and Health Education, commonly shortened to RSE. It will be compulsory for all schools to teach this curriculum from September 2020.

School must have in place a written policy for Relationships Education and RSE and must consult parents in developing and reviewing their policy. This is to ensure that the policy meets the needs of pupils and parents and reflects the community they serve.

I have been planning to fit this into our curriculum and developing it with the staff. The next step is to consult with the governors and parents and your feedback will be welcomed. Ideally, we would hold a parents meeting to discuss the policy, however, as this is not possible, I will email all parents the information shortly and open up questions via email.

Induction Morning

This will be cancelled currently as we need to minimise staff contact with different groups of children.

Willoughby Award

The Willoughby Award will resume, all being well, in September. In the meantime individual classes will have their Star of the Day.

Reports

We are currently working hard to collate all the information to bring you your child's report for this year based on where they were at Easter. We aim to have reports available for Friday 17th July. This will include details of the Willoughby 10 Step Progress Indicator (W10SPI) alongside teacher assessments and an explanation to help you better understand your child's current attainment and progress.

Annual Equality Information

There is a statutory requirement to publish Annual Equality Information. This has been collated and presented to Governors and will be available on the Policies tab of our website. Alternatively request the 2019/20 equality information from the office.

Good News

In some much needed good news we have had the computer suite in the Year 5/6 classroom completely updated with 11 new desktop computers. I am hoping the year 6 group will iron out the

inevitable glitches that will occur in time for the other year groups to enjoy. We also have 10 new sets of headphones kindly donated by FOWs.

Alongside the 10 new iPads these new desktops bring our IT facilities well up to date. Just the laptops to go now.

Finally, if you need to discuss any aspect of your child's emotional well-being or academic progress please do call or email the school. We all need to support and help the children in every way we can through this difficult time.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'B. M. Smith'.

Beatrice Smith
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