

Dear Year R Parents

As you aware from the 3rd June 2020 the school is beginning the process of wider opening beyond Educare pupils.

Firstly I would like to apologise for the miscommunication over the last few days regarding information and deadlines. We are in the process of rectifying this.

There has been a significant period of intense work undertaken prior to and since the news of the gradual reopening of the schools was released on 24th May. As a school, we have worked hard to ensure that we continue to provide a safe environment for our Educare pupils as well as for our new 'bubble' intakes. We have followed closely government guidelines, as well as worked closely with our trust and independent risk assessment partners to ensure our plans offer the best care for our pupils, whilst being able to maintain social distancing at all times.

Due to the quality assurance processes it has taken an extended amount of time to ensure the school is ready for wider opening this Wednesday.

From parental feedback we are going to review the organisation of the 'bubbles' to ensure that every child is a 'bubble' with at least 2 other children in their class. We will send out another text message to inform you of your child's 'bubble' this afternoon. These groups will remain fixed until further changes are made by the government.

From this point, children will be allocated to 'bubbles' when they register.

Each 'bubble' has two teachers (trained to teach across the primary age range) and one support staff member assigned. This is fixed and the teachers will rotate weekly to ensure all home learning needs are continued to be met including phone calls fortnightly for those children not in school.

Whilst in Educare this week the Reception pupils have had a separate classroom and resources to pupils in other year groups and social distancing has been adhered to.

Thank you for your continued support during this unprecedented time. We will of course continue to keep you updated as we move through this initial phase of wider reopening.

Kind regards

Miss V Buckland
Headteacher

