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SEPTEMBER OPENING

Dear Parents and Carers,

The Government have shared their guidance with schools regarding the return of all children to school in September. We have updated our risk assessment and, based on that, we have now created plans for the return of all pupils from September. Procedures will be different from when you were last in school, this is a necessity to ensure that children, families and staff can be kept as safe as possible. Below are some the routines that we will be following.

- Children will be in year group 'bubbles' which will be kept distanced from other year group 'bubbles' as much as possible.
- Wherever possible, social distancing will be implemented. We will have no large gatherings, bringing different groups together, e.g. whole-school assemblies.
- Hygiene and cleaning routines will continue to be part of everyday practices and will be a high priority.
- Parents and carers will not enter the school building, except for exceptional circumstances or for a pre-planned meeting that cannot take place over the phone.
- If you need to talk to your child's new teacher, you will need to phone the school office and book a time for a phone call or correspond through the year group email address.
- Any communication will need to happen via email or by contacting the school office in the first instance.
- School uniform will be worn by the children, with the exception of the days they have PE, when they will come to school in their PE kit.
- The guidance states that attendance is compulsory, where families are finding this difficult, we will provide ongoing support.
- Children from Year 1 up to Year 6 will return to school on Wednesday 2nd September.

Please read the accompanying documents for more detailed information about procedures for September. We will be making some videos to support this which will be on our school website in the next few days. Please be aware that guidance and circumstances can change between now and September, if this happens, we will send new plans to you via ParentMail. We will confirm whether these arrangements are definitely going ahead when staff return to school on 1st September.

We look forward to seeing you in September, have a great summer.