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School re-opening 1st June

Friday 29th May, 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

I write to remind you of how school will begin the long process of re-opening to children from Monday June 1st.

Despite the Prime Minister insisting that all five government tests that make it safe for schools to re-open to all children in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 6, have now been met, I and the Board of Governors agree with the Liverpool City Council stance that this remains to be proved. Circumstances in our city cannot be treated as an 'average' and so with our guiding principle being one of protecting our children and community, we must be mindful and act upon the local picture.

So school will open, as I communicated to you last week, to children of Key Workers and those with an EHCP only until a review is conducted on 8th June. Families with a place for week commencing 1st June have been informed. If you do not have a place confirmed to you, please do not attend school. All risk assessments, staffing levels and safety measures have been arranged around the numbers we have. We will not be able to take any further children on the day based on these health and safety arrangements.

A reminder of arrangements.

- All staff have received full health and safety training in line with government and local authority guidance.
- Rigorous risk assessments have been carried out this week by senior leaders. The risk assessments will be on going throughout the summer term. School will adhere to all recommendations to ensure the safety of our children, staff and parents.
- **The school office will not be accessible to parents** – please communicate via email or telephone: 0151 228 5806 Or corinthian-ao@corinthian.liverpool.sch.uk. These contact points will be staffed, so all communication should pass through these routes.
- The building, although cleaned after closure in March, has had a thorough deep clean during half-term week during the May half-term holiday.
- All areas of the school building will be cleaned daily including door handles, handrails, surfaces etc.
- Children will be arranged into small groups of up to eight in Y1 –6 and in EYFS up to 14 (based on the ability to socially distance appropriately in classroom settings). These small groups will be called 'bubbles'.
- Class sizes will be kept to a maximum of eight children per classroom (two bubbles can fit, whilst being socially distanced, within the EYFS setting).
- If or when numbers increase – the school will ensure that different starting and finishing times along with separate entrances to school are utilised to minimise the contact between different groups of

children and adults. At this point will also operate split breaks and lunch times (currently we can zone play areas per bubble).

- At this time there **will not be a wraparound provision** of breakfast or afterschool club.

Daily Routines:

- Staff to arrive, have their temperature checked, undertake clean down of hard surfaces, complete daily risk assessment, resources distributed for the day's learning.
- Children to arrive between 8:45 a.m. – 9:15 am: **only one adult per child to drop off or collect.**
- On arrival we would like to do a quick temperature check for children (using a digital thermometer), can you return consent via the Parent App. If a child has a high temperature, we will ask that you take them home on that day as a precaution.
- Children to be collected between 3pm and 3:20pm.
- Children should wear a fresh set of uniform each day.
- A packed lunch will be provided for children who are entitled to Free School Meals, all other children will need to bring a packed lunch to school in a disposable bag.
- Children will be given a fresh paper cup daily, which they can refill, they do not need to bring a water bottle.
- Please **apply sun lotion** before your child attends school. Children can bring sun lotion with them to school, but it needs to be a product that they can apply themselves (we will remind and encourage use throughout the day).

Learning activities in school:

- Children will have access to reading and number activities similar to the online learning resources offered to all pupils at home. A range of enjoyable activities will take place throughout the day using the outdoor spaces on a daily basis.
Home learning for those children not in school
- Home learning will continue in the same form as previously. If you are finding it difficult to access on-line information, please contact the school.

The Local authority have insisted that they will not be pressuring any parents to send their children to school during this term. You know your own children and their personal situation best. The government have also made it clear that they will not be fining parents who choose not to send their child to school during this time.

Accessing the school site:

EYFS

Children in the EYFS bubble will enter the building at the Nursery gate on Florentine Rd, there will be markers to show two meters distance and a one-way system to support social distancing.

MAIN SITE

Year 1 Bubble will be situated in Mrs Scriven's Y1 classroom - **Access main yard.**

Year 2 Bubble will be situated in Mrs Hughes Y2 classroom – **Access main yard.**

Year 3 and 4 Bubble will be situated in Mrs Beckett's Y2 classroom – **Access nurture yard.**

Year 5 and 6 Bubble will be situated in Mrs William's Y1 classroom – **Access nurture yard.**

When entering site there will be a strict one - way system marked out in yellow and black tape with PINK signs showing the location of bubbles: all parents and children will enter via the Inigo Rd gate, then flow through to their child's classroom using the pathways. After drop-off, parents will exit the site via the Corinthian Avenue gate. Outside each classroom there will be markers on the floor to support social distancing. We have extended the period that the site is open in the morning and afternoon to accommodate families arriving at different times. Same arrangements on collection of children please.

Whilst we are really looking forward to seeing our children again, their safety and that of our staff, parents and our community will always be our highest priority. Any future decision will always be carefully considered with safety at the forefront of this.

If there is anything at all you would like to ask or raise, please email me on corinthian-ht@corinthian.liverpool.sch.uk .

Thank you as always for your continued support, I realise that this is a difficult time for everyone. I will continue to keep you informed as the situation progresses.

I hope you and your families remain safe and well.

Yours Sincerely,

Andy Hudson

Headteacher