



# Wordsworth Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers

## **School Reopening for Year R, Year 1 and Year 6**

Following last week's email I am now writing with further information on the reopening of Wordsworth. We have evolved our plans through discussions, meetings and consultations with staff, Governors, JEP Head teachers, Hamwic and the City. We will be following Government guidelines and the advice from our Unions to ensure we do everything we can to minimize the risk and ensure the safety of all our children and staff.

### **Our key principles to ensure safety in school:**

- We place the safety of all children and staff as fundamental to any reopening
- We aim to reduce social mixing to a minimum by keeping group sizes as small as possible with a maximum of 15 children and two staff members in each group
- Each group will be working in isolation all week to minimize social mixing
- Groups even from the same year group will not mix either in class or at play/lunchtime or swap adults
- We will manage Social Distancing for the young children as best we can as we have done with the Key worker facility
- We will ensure Social Distancing between adults is always maintained and between adults and children maintained for the vast majority of the time.
- No parents or other visitors will be allowed onto the school site at any time with all communication by email or phone
- We plan reopening a step at a time to give us opportunity to reflect and adapt as we move on to ensure safety as numbers grow
- The principles of operating safely that we have developed and adopted over the last two months are maintained



## Timeline for Reopening

We have a total of around 310 children in YR, 1 and 6, and in our Key workers and vulnerable group. This is a very large number of children. So in order to reopen safely, to ensure the planning and preparation we are undertaking is effective and to give us time to adapt where necessary we have decided to stagger the return to school as follows:

- Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June and Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June school reopens for Key worker and Vulnerable children only
- Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June school opens for all Year R and Year 6 children
- Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June school opens for Year 1 children

To ensure we can deep clean the school at the end of every week the school will close after lunch every Friday from 12:30 with staggered departure times.

All staff will be in school full time from Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June for Training, Logistical and Classroom Planning and detailed preparation.

## A new Home School Partnership Agreement

There are very particular requirements that as a school we will all need to adopt to ensure safety is maintained such as prompt staggered drop-off and pick-up times, around school uniform and equipment and lunch arrangements. All this information and detail will be contained in a new Home School Partnership document. **We will be sending this out to you on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May.** We would ask you to familiarise yourself with every aspect and to use this document as a check list for your child. This should answer all the detailed questions you may have about reopening but also provide an email contact so we can clarify where needed. We will update this regularly to reflect any changes we need to make.

## On-line Learning

There will be no on-line learning for Years R, 1 and 6 from 1<sup>st</sup> June as staff will all be teaching groups. If you want additional learning then please access websites such as Oak Academy or BBC Bitesize.

For Year's 2, 3, 4 and 5 work will continue to be put on the website and you can continue to send it in to your child's teacher through the Dojo system. However, as more children return to school the quantity of new work available, the current level of marking and comments, along with the speed of approval, will start to decrease as teachers are used to cover additional returning children. Year group postings will keep you updated.

## Risk Assessments and planning published on our website

Our Risk assessments, Revised Safeguarding policy, updated Behaviour Policy and our new Home School Partnership Agreement will be available on our website. Details of the actions to be taken by



the school and Hamwic in the event that a member of staff or child becomes ill and is tested positive will be included in our published documents.

These are troubled times, but we have shown over the last few years and months that we have built a strong, supportive and resilient school community at Wordsworth and I am sure this strength will carry us through this next difficult phase.

Thank you for your continued support

Rick Page

Head teacher

