



Eaton Primary School



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Dear Parents

Coronavirus Update 11.05.20

I am writing to update you on the school's planning in response to the Prime Minister's broadcast yesterday evening.

School will commence planning for a **possible restarting of Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 cohorts on June 1**, which will be in addition to the current key worker pupils already in attendance.

School leaders are working closely with the school's workforce, Trustees, Local Authority and Teaching Unions, to ensure that any increase in pupil numbers is implemented with safety as our number one priority.

All relevant sectors will be risk assessed to fulfil the following goals:

- To keep children safe by eliminating as much risk as we can.
- To keep staff safe by eliminating as much risk as we can.
- To support the National goal of minimising the impact of the COVID-19 virus.
- To ensure all stakeholders are fully informed to minimise anxiety and support good decision making.

I will in due course share with parents the relevant results of the risk assessments before any decision to increase pupil numbers is made. I can however share at this time the following measures we will want to deploy:

- Maintain social distancing at school during drop off and collection times.
- Maintain social distancing between pupils and between pupils and adults at all times within the school day.
- Maintain stringent hygiene measures, met by an hourly cleaning schedule throughout the school day.
- Implement wherever possible, an information technology based curriculum in classes to minimise risk to teaching staff.
- Adapt the school day to reduce lunchtimes and introduce staggered start and finish times to the school day.
- Minimise the amount of time the workforce spend onsite.
- Maximise the use of our outdoor environment in the afternoons to play sport within social distancing rules.

More detailed guidelines are due to be published by the Gov. later today and will inform our planning which will evolve over the coming days leading up to the half term holiday.

I hope that this initial information gives parents some reassurance at a time of great uncertainty for the whole community and I will update everyone as our plans develop in detail.

Yours faithfully

Allan Lowe
Headteacher