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Dear Parents

Covid – 19 Update 18.06.20

I am writing with an update on the progress we have made with changes to our home learning provision, a reminder of our school capacity situation and a brief view on schooling from September.

Home Learning

Changes have been made following the results from the parent survey which indicated that there was a broad consensus amongst parents for:

1. More home learning to be set each day and week
2. A more structured approach to daily and weekly learning
3. Increased interaction with teachers
4. Access to pen and paper activities and less dependency upon online websites

Therefore, from next Monday (22 June), home learning will refresh in the following ways:

- By 8.30am every Monday, a weekly year group learning planner will be posted to Class Dojo and emailed to parents.
- 3 hours of daily learning will be set across maths, English and topic lessons
- Teaching will be progressive and feel more like teaching sequences in school
- Maths and English lessons will be supported by short teacher videos posted daily to demonstrate core skills being taught
- Teachers will conference small groups of children online, covering all children not attending school, once a week
- All Year 1 to Year 6 children will receive a bundle of CGP work booklets in maths and English, which can be used to revise the curriculum for the entire year. Booklets will either be dropped off by hand, posted home or handed out at school.

On Friday teachers will plan and prepare resources for the week ahead and therefore online lessons on Friday will be in PE and PSHE only.

With most children set to continue to learn at home until the end of term, I hope that these changes and additional resources will continue to support parents and children at this challenging time.

School Capacity

Due to the current government restrictions on class sizes (capped at 15), we are now deploying all of our available staff and using all of our classrooms to teach children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 6, together with children of key workers. We are therefore unable to provide places in other year groups (Year 2,3,4 &5) at this time.

Places for keyworkers is now at full capacity and therefore we can accept no more keyworker children into school at this time.

I anticipate that school will soon close to any further requests for places in Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 for this term.

Schooling from 2020 – 21

We will soon send new class information for next year to parents, which will detail teacher and teaching assistant arrangements.

I understand the importance of a good transition process at the end of the year, which is why we extended to 4 days in new classes in previous years. We are developing procedures for this year and I will send out more information to pupils and parents in the next two weeks.

The school is now working closely with the Trust on its recovery plan, to develop an approach and capability for September. This will have more definition once we get information from the DfE with regard to how pupils will return to school. I will update parents with our plans as this information becomes available.

I hope these updates have been helpful with information for parents and I will continue to update as we receive more information from Government regarding plans for September.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Allan Lowe', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Allan Lowe
Headteacher