

BEARWOOD Primary and Nursery School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are delighted to continue to welcome back as many pupils as possible whilst continuing to follow the ever changing government guidance. We have been in the fortunate position to open 14 bubbles, containing no more than 15 pupils, and will have over 120 children back in school from Monday. It has been an absolute delight to see the smiling faces of both the children and staff.

I appreciate that we have only been able to offer places to some of our pupils and are working hard to ensure that we reach our full capacity as soon as possible. Please be assured that safety is still our number one priority. We will be offering individual families that meet specific criteria the opportunity to return in our next group including Pupil Premium and siblings of children who are attending. If we have available space, we will then look to open the offer to Year 2. Further information will follow for these pupils as appropriate.

We currently have 87% of pupils back in Early Years and 80% in Year 1. We would like to offer 'live' online learning for phonics for pupils in these year groups who have not returned to school. The timings are as follows and information regarding how to access Microsoft Teams has been sent to each pupil who has been unable to return to school:

EYFS -9.45am Year 1-9.05am

We would like to offer all of Year 3 and 4 pupils the opportunity to take part in daily Maths and English lessons (starting from the 22nd June 2020) with their class teacher at the following times:

English – 9:30am to 10:30am Maths – 11:00am to 12 midday

These lessons will allow your child, whether in school or at home, to engage with their teacher and peers take part in class discussions and access the curriculum. A separate letter will be sent to Year 3 and 4 parents.

Year 5 and 6 pupils have all had the opportunity to attend school. We are delighted on the uptake in both year groups. For those pupils still at home, we are currently looking to offer some degree of live online learning in the coming weeks.

















We are all disappointed that the Year 6 are unable to finish their final year as usual. However, we are planning on an event, where the pupils will have the opportunity to say goodbye. We will ensure that the government guidelines on social distancing will be followed during this event. Further details will follow in the next few weeks.

As we have opened the school to a large majority of year groups, we have made the decision to close the teacher and newsletter email account from immediate effect. If you need any support, then please email the school account: school@bearwood.poole.sch.uk

Lastly, I would like to thank the staff for their exceptional hard work in making sure that the school was ready for the significant increase in children being back over the last few weeks. The energy and positivity of everyone has ensured children feel safe and happy.

Best wishes,

Mrs Laura Bennett

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Head Teacher















