

Dear Parents of children in Year 6,

We will be able to offer you year 6 teaching with Mrs Brogan and Mrs Reed on alternate weeks. We had 15 children want to come to school, which was fantastic. Unfortunately, we are unable to accommodate all of the children every day because the teachers are engaged in other teaching duties. The government guidance prioritises the need for education as follows;

1. Essential workers children
2. Foundation
3. Year 1
4. Year 6

This means that any reduction in teaching will fall upon year 6. I am sorry that we can't provide fulltime education for your children. I am following the Government guidance on social distancing and educational requirements. None of the classrooms are big enough to accommodate all 15 children with 2m's distance between the tables. The hall is being used by the Critical Care Club, as they have their own allocated toilets.

Please note that children of Essential workers are entitled to be in both weeks as they are no longer eligible for Critical Care Club. As all year 6 children will be abiding by the 2m rule and have their own desks, this poses negligible risk.

I appreciate this is not what you were expecting. However, I hope that this will not change your wish to send you child to school.

In sending your child to school from the 1st June, you are agreeing that they will come in every day that the school is open. The Government is very clear in its guidance that this is school, and parents don't have the right to pick days their child attends.

We will send home any children that are unwell. Any child with suspected coronavirus will be isolated in my office, we will phone you and expect you to come and collect your child immediately.

The school office on the Infant site will be in operation from 1st June. This means phone messages and emails will be responded to from school. We will not be allowing parents on site, unless we have called you in. Any forgotten lunches need to be left outside the front door and an email sent to office@cds.school.

All year 6 children will stay together as a group for the whole day. They will have playtime together and eat lunch together in the classroom or outside (weather dependant). They will have their own lunch time supervisor. Their allocated toilets are the ones they always use.

Ideally, we would like the children to wear school uniform but understand that their shoes may not fit; trainers will be fine. Children need to have a sun hat with them in school and suntan cream applied before they come to school. Any medication also needs to be sent in and we'll ask you to complete a form. The children will not be changing for PE, just wearing trainers, girls can bring a pair of lycra shorts to wear under their dresses.

Staff will be wiping down surfaces very regularly and we will be encouraging the children to wash their hands at least hourly. They will have their own desk and bring in their school pencil case, which will be left in school. One group of year 6 children will be in the year 6 classroom, the other in the year 5 classroom.

The main gate to the school will open at 8.40 and the children will start school at 8.50am. You will need to leave your child at the gate or the green, making sure you abide by the 2m social distancing rule between adults. The gate will be locked at 8.50am and no child will be admitted through the front door. This is so that the only area you child comes into contact with is the class and their toilets. Thus, limiting and possible spread of infection.

At 3.25pm we will bring the year 6 children out to the green for you to collect them

Any Essential workers children will be offered care until 5pm but will have to bring their own snack.

Please continue with the online home learning on the week your child is at home. When in school the children will be completing the same activities for the week.

If you have any further questions, please email me directly head@cds.school

We are really looking forward to seeing you on 1st June.

Stay Safe

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