

# **Keyworth Primary School**

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#### **Expanded reopening update**

#### Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that you and your family continue to remain safe and well. We are at the end of week one of our expanded reopening and have had a very successful week at Keyworth. We have been pleased to welcome around 60 children to school each day and it has been so lovely to see and hear children working and playing again throughout the school. Keyworth is a very different place to the one that our families temporarily left when it was announced that schools were required to close. However, the children who are in school have quickly become familiar with the new routines and appear to be settling in well to the new version of school. As I said previously, while learning is very important, we have focused on the wellbeing of our children and staff this week. Below is a rough breakdown of a day for children at Keyworth this week:

- Arrive at school, wash hands, complete register and decide what they want for lunch, unless they have a home packed lunch;
- Complete a 10 minute activity where they draw/write about how they are feeling at that moment in time (these are then collected by Jess who has been offering support, as appropriate);
- During the morning, completing lessons in Maths and English (reading, phonics, writing);
- During the afternoon, completing lessons linked to wellbeing, physical activity, art and creativity. Also, more opportunities for play and communicating with each other;
- Breaks and lunchtimes are the same throughout the day.

Pod sizes at the moment are all below 10 children. Without having to make any changes to our expanded reopening plans or staffing arrangements, we are able to cater for more children in each pod and, for a while at least, can maintain pod sizes of less than 10 in most year groups. At the end of this letter I have attached some photos of our week in school. We will continue to only welcome back children in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 for now but parents/carers will be informed, as soon as a decision has been made, when other year groups are able to return.

#### Returning to school

If your child is in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 or Year 6, they are able to return to school, if parents/carers choose to send them.

• If your child is in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 or Year 6 and they are already in school **you do not need to do anything**.

- If your child is in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 or Year 6 and you do not want them to return to school from Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June **you do not need to do anything**.
- If your child is in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 or Year 6, is currently not in school and you would like them to return from Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June you need to contact the school office by 1:00pm on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June to confirm.

1:00pm on Wednesdays each week will be the deadline for anyone who wants to return to school the following week. Any child returning to school is expected to return full-time.

#### School day – arrivals and departures - reminder

Please remember the importance of children **arriving to and being collected from school on time each day**. This is to reduce the number of people using pathways/gates and therefore support social/physical distancing.

Year group	Start time	End time	Arrival/departure gate
Morning Nursery	8:45am	11:45am	Gaza Street
All day Nursery	8:45am	3:15pm	Gaza Street
Reception	9:00am	3:30pm	Gaza Street
Year 1	8:45am	3:15pm	Faunce Street
Year 6	8:30am	3:00pm	Doddington Grove
Keyworker/vulnerable group	8:30am - 9:00am	3:30pm	Faunce Street
Keyworker/vulnerable group afterschool club	3:30pm	5:00pm	Sharsted Street

#### Contacting the school office

As parents/carers are not allowed on the school premises, you will not be able to physically access the school office. To contact the school office, you can either call or email: <a href="mailto:office@keyworth.southwark.sch.uk">office@keyworth.southwark.sch.uk</a>.

Parents/carers should not just turn up at school but should instead ring the office in advance to confirm a time for visiting. This is to ensure that we do not have too many people in and around school at the same time.

#### Support with providing food for your families

We can still provide families with the offer of a food parcel, if needed.

• If you have an <u>immediate</u> need of support to provide food for your family during the next week, please call the school office and/or email <u>office@keyworth.southwark.sch.uk</u> (include your name, and your child's name and class in your message).

If your financial situation has changed due to COVID-19, please click on the link below for emergency support: <a href="https://www.southwark.gov.uk/benefits-and-support/emergency-support">https://www.southwark.gov.uk/benefits-and-support/emergency-support</a>

Public Health are keeping updated their list of food banks and charities, so please click here for the latest information: <a href="https://www.southwark.gov.uk/health-and-wellbeing/public-health/for-the-public/coronavirus/food-access">https://www.southwark.gov.uk/health-and-wellbeing/public-health/for-the-public/coronavirus/food-access</a>

#### Year 6 school journey - refund

As I said previously, due to the cancellation of school journey for children in Year 6, all parents/carers will receive a full refund. However, parents/carers will need to be patient as the company who we booked with have yet to return any money back to Keyworth.

#### Wider curriculum

On the school website we have uploaded some planning, resources and links to activities for the children's latest topics across the curriculum. There are lessons in Geography, History, Art, DT, Music etc. These can be used to guide you with any additional learning that you want to undertake at home that is not just English and Maths:

http://keyworth.southwark.sch.uk/home-learning/

#### Photos for the school website

We would like to create an online gallery of photos of Keyworth children and/or the work they have produced at home while school has been closed. We are particularly interested in their creative and artistic skills, work across the curriculum, outside learning, or anything else that you would like to share. This can be linked to the planning shared in the 'wider curriculum' section above, the art challenge pdf attached to this email or anything else that your children have been up to. Please send any photos to <a href="mailto:office@keyworth.southwark.sch.uk">office@keyworth.southwark.sch.uk</a> (include your child's name and class, and state that the photo is for the website).

#### **World Oceans Day Competition**

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June is *World Oceans Day*. Please see details at the end of this letter about a poster competition created by teacher Theresa.

#### Wellbeing of children and families (Coronavirus) - reminder

Please see below some further support in managing wellbeing and anxieties:

https://www.camhs-resources.co.uk/coronavirus

https://childmind.org/coping-during-covid-19-resources-for-parents/

https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/coronavirus-advice-suppport-children-families-parents/

http://keyworth.southwark.sch.uk/home-learning/ (scroll to the bottom)

I hope that you have a lovely weekend and remain safe and well.

Ray Capper

**Head of School** 

### School layout













## School day

A view from our window during lockdown













Arts, crafts, t-shirt printing, kite-making, dance, exercise and online learning





















