

Keyworth Primary School

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School provision and reopening update

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that you and your family continue to remain safe and well. I wrote last week regarding the proposed expanded reopening of Keyworth for children in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 6. I would like to thank our families for confirming whether their child/children will return to school during the week of 1st June (subject to government confirmation that schools will reopen to more children from this week). This has proven important in us creating and implementing our action plans ready for any expanded return. I will write again next week to provide you with further details in relation to the specific arrangements for each year group. We are planning for children in the selected year groups to return to school at staggered times on **Tuesday 2nd June** as we will be having an INSET Day on Monday 1st June to train school staff in the measures we are implementing and the changes that we have made.

A reminder that any return to Keyworth at this stage is completely **parental choice** and you must feel comfortable with whatever decision you make. I cannot guarantee that a return to Keyworth will be completely risk-free but would like to reassure you that we have stringently followed government guidelines when planning in order to reduce the risk. We have also liaised regularly as a leadership team across the federation, with staff, with governors, and with Local Authority advisors.

If you have said no to a return to Keyworth but change your mind at any stage, please contact the school with a few days' notice so that we are able to make appropriate plans and adjustments. The easiest way for us as a school to safely transition returning children would be on the Monday after you confirm your child's attendance so that we can ensure our staffing levels and arrangements are appropriate.

On the website you will find the government guidelines, our risk assessment and my previous letter detailing some of the actions that we are going to be taking. Please do take time to have a look and familiarise yourselves with the details: http://keyworth.southwark.sch.uk/. These will provide you with a general picture but, as I said previously, I will try to share as many as the specific arrangements for each year group in my next letter.

Google classroom

In order to allow our teachers to have a bit of a break and to prepare for the expanded reopening of Keyworth the following week, we will not be uploading any further lessons onto *Google classroom* for the week beginning 25th May. You will still be able to access and use all resources that have been uploaded so far but please do not feel like you need to spend the whole week completing online learning as this week is technically half term. Teachers will upload work again from Monday 1st June but I would like to remind you of the details that I included in my last letter:

Regarding *Google classroom*, we will still continue to provide the same structure of lessons that we have provided for the past few weeks for children who are in Years 2-5. For children who are in year groups that are able to return, we will still continue to provide work on *Google classroom* but this will be somewhat streamlined with teachers uploading PowerPoints/worksheets that are being used in class without the videos/voiceovers. This is to ensure that teachers do not have to double their planning and work commitments.

If you do decide that you would like to continue your online learning routine through half term and have completed all activities on *Google classroom*, then below are some excellent resources that I referred you to previously:

- BBC Bitesize daily lessons https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/dailylessons
- Government recommended online learning and resource hub https://www.thenational.academy/online-classroom
- Government recommended daily phonics https://www.wandleenglishhub.org.uk/lettersandsounds
- The London Curriculum resources shared by governor Karen https://www.london.gov.uk/coronavirus/london-learning-at home?term node tid depth 2=12258&term node tid depth 3=12247&term node tid depth 4=12

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<u>In-school provision</u>

During half term (week beginning 25th May) we will continue our provision for our vulnerable children and children of keyworkers between 8:30am and 5:00pm, Monday to Friday. Please note that **this provision** will not be provided on Monday 1st June due to school staff receiving training in preparation for the expanded reopening.

Wishing you a wonderful half term and I hope to see you all soon.

Ray Capper

Head of School