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Dear Parents and Carers

I hope this finds you well and that you have been able to enjoy the lovely sunny weekend.

More news from me on this Sunday evening as we prepare to welcome some children back into school this week. We shall continue to keep in touch with the whole school community, whether or not your child is returning to school over the next couple of weeks. Home learning will continue to be available and do feel free to get in touch in the usual way about any issue.

Transfer of Groups

We are asking you to commit to one group for your child to attend. For example, they cannot switch from the Key Worker group to the Reception, Year 1 or Year 6 group, or vice versa, as this introduces so many more combinations of contact for each child and adult.

For the same reason, we do not expect any child to be attending another childcare group provision outside of school as this compromises the safe environment we have worked so hard to create at Oldbury Park.

Uniform

We are aiming to be outdoors as much as we possibly can, with all groups of learners. Therefore we request that all children wear trainers to school. No PE kits are necessary in school.

We would like the children to wear uniform if possible, including the Key Worker group. *However*, I am aware the children have all grown a lot since we last saw them. You may not have uniform available. On top of this, we are requesting that at the end of the day their clothes are washed and that they wear clean clothes every day. So I am asking something which may not be possible! Please just do your best and I will totally understand. I would request no football strips though please! The children are not able to wear masks in school.

Water

Please send your child with a water bottle (or two, or three) into school each day. These need to be named. We want to avoid re-filling these during the day as that increases touching taps, etc, so if possible, please send enough for the whole day, remembering that the children need to drink plenty during these hot days.

Arriving at School

We request that only one adult brings and collects your child. This is to reduce the numbers of adults on site. You may:

- Walk down the pupil entrance and in the normal way. Markers will be on the playground to help you to maintain the required distance from others. A member of the Senior Leadership Team will be there to take messages in the normal way. Please then leave through the double gates onto the main driveway, creating a one-way system.

- Drive through the main entrance and drop your child off by the flagpole entrance. Please do not get out of your car unless absolutely necessary. Again a member of the Senior Leadership Team will be there to guide your child onto the playground and into school.
- Children in the Base should go through the Base Garden gate by the flagpole entrance.

Collecting your child at the end of the day

Times will be staggered so we hope there will not be too many parents on the playground at any one time. Please make sure you keep a safe distance on the playground. No access will be allowed to cars at the end of the day so you will need to park outside school and enter via the pupil entrance.

Bringing items into school

We want to make sure that only essential items are brought into school to help reduce the risk of infection. The guidelines state that surfaces that can be wiped clean are much safer. So, if possible, no backpacks, toys, books, etc but just bottles of water and a snack should be brought in. We will provide all the equipment needed so there is no need for pencil cases, etc. If there is a chance that your child might have an accident in school, please do provide some spare clothes. We are trying to reduce the amount of home / school crossover as much as possible.

When Year 6 return (June 10th), they will be discouraged from bringing phones into school. If they do, it is at their own risk. Each child will be provided with a tray for all their things from home so that no one else touches it during the day.

Free School Meals

We will continue to send out vouchers to families who are entitled to free school meals, even if your child returns to school.

School Lunches for Reception children returning to school

Your child will be provided with a free lunch from Thursday 4th June. *Please do not send your child with their own lunch as we are trying to reduce the amount of things each child has to bring into school.*

You can order your child's lunch as usual on the Aspens website. The menu has been adapted for the rest of this term as the children will be eating in their classroom so there will be no hot meal provision. Please order from the Back to School (Generic Options) set of menus and choose 'Today's School Meal (Meat)' for a ham sandwich option or 'Today's School Meal (Vegetarian)' for the cheese option. The meal will also include fruit, vegetable snacks and a piece of cake. Orders need to be placed, or cancelled, by 9am each day. There will be regular weekly updates of the menu for you to place your order. Please contact the school office if you have any problems with the ordering process.

Base children to please bring in packed lunches as before.

And finally, **a massive thank you** to all of you and your children for contributing to, and creating the amazing videos. The staff absolutely loved them! They cheered us up and reminded us how much we are missing you all. Thank you for going to so much trouble – it means a lot.

We look forward to welcoming some Base children and Reception children in on Wednesday and will be in touch again before Year 1 and Year 6 children start next week.

Continue to take care and keep safe.

With best wishes

Sarah Boyce

Principal

Week beginning : Monday 1 st June 2020				
	Reception	MAB	Year 1	Year 6
Wednesday	10am – 12 noon	8.45am – 3.15pm	-	-
Thursday	9.15am – 2.45pm	8.45am – 3.15pm	-	-
Friday	Key Workers' children.in as normal School closed to other children to allow for deep cleaning and planning for the week ahead.			
Week beginning : Monday 8 th June 2020				
	Reception	MAB	Year 1	Year 6
Monday	9.15am – 2.45pm	8.45am – 3.15pm	10am – 12 noon	-
Tuesday	9.15am – 2.45pm	8.45am – 3.15pm	9am – 3pm	-
Wednesday	9.15am – 2.45pm	8.45am – 3.15pm	9am – 3pm	10am – 12 noon
Thursday	9.15am – 2.45pm	8.45am – 3.15pm	9am – 3pm	8.45am – 3.15pm
Friday	Key Workers' children.in as normal School closed to other children to allow for deep cleaning and planning for the week ahead.			
Week beginning : Monday 15 th June 2020				
	Reception	MAB	Year 1	Year 6
Monday	9.15am – 2.45pm	8.45am – 3.15pm	9am – 3pm	8.45am – 3.15pm
Tuesday	9.15am – 2.45pm	8.45am – 3.15pm	9am – 3pm	8.45am – 3.15pm
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