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Covid-19 update- opening to more pupil groups on Monday 8th of June

Dear Florendine families

As you know it is our intention to open to a wider groups of pupils from next Monday (8th of June). These will consist of half year group “bubbles” for Reception, Year 1 and Year 6. At the same time we are still open for our key worker bubble as we have been throughout.

To ensure the classroom environments are as safe as possible the children’s desks are spaced out in accordance with social distancing advice. This obviously means that we need more classrooms and therefore more staff to accommodate each bubble. Each bubble of children will have its own staff members so sometimes your child may not have their own class teacher but they will always have a member of staff they know.

The Government is hopeful that before the end of the summer term it will be possible for other year groups to return too. The logistics of this is something we will consider once we have managed the first stage of re-opening to increased pupil numbers.

Unfortunately we cannot take siblings of those in the identified Year groups returning to school at the moment.

If your child is in their year group bubble they will be in school one week and then home the next. If your child has been attending the Key worker group you will need to decide which bubble they will be with as there will be no movement between bubbles once they are up and running.

Please remember the classroom experience will be quite different as we explore the new normal in school but please be reassured that we will do everything we can to make the children feel safe, secure and happy.

I will be sending a specific set of instructions to parents of each returning year group to let them know more about our staggered starts and ends, drop off, pick up points and what the children need to do upon arrival.

We will do everything we can to get as many of our pupils into school before the end of the summer term but any decisions made will be based primarily upon the safety of our pupils, our staff and the wider school community. Please reassure your children who are returning, the school may look a little different, the way we do things may be a little different but we are just the same as when they were here before.

Thank you for your continuing support

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