

Raysfield Infant School
Raysfield Junior School

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Reopening Raysfield to Year 1

Wednesday 10th June

Dear Parents and Carers,

Firstly, thank you for your patience in receiving this information. It is very important to us we prepare well, and can open with confidence to allow your children and staff to be safe on their return. The opening for Reception children has been very positively received and we want to provide you with the same positive service.

Thank you to those who completed the survey last week, this helped us to prepare and know who to expect. We have put together three bubbles based on the numbers of children who replied in the survey 'Very Likely, Likely, Neither likely or not likely'. Anybody who replied to say it was unlikely or very unlikely, we have assumed your children will not return in Term 6. If you would like to change your mind, please do let us know by Wednesday 17th June by sending an email to office@raysfieldfederation.org.uk. **This is the deadline date for the decision.**

Please let me repeat my previous sentiments, you will not be challenged about keeping your children at home. **We respect all our parents' decisions during this time.** From the survey, we are expecting to receive 50% of our Year 1 children. Based on your responses Bubbles are no bigger than 10 pupils.

FOR CHILDREN WHO ARE RETURNING TO SCHOOL IN YEAR 1

Your children have been divided into **3 Bubbles**. Please see the attached list for what bubble your child belongs to. **Please note: we divided all children, even though we know some of you are not returning. This will just help us to plan for the future if circumstances change and your child needs to attend school.** The Bubbles have been organised by Miss Calver and Miss Parslow as they know the children's friendship groups best.

BRINGING YOUR CHILDREN TO THE SITE.

All classes will now be on the junior site (below). We have put a virtual tour of what each classroom looks like on class dojo and an introduction to your 'Bubble teacher'.

- In the morning when you bring your children please enter through the gate nearest to the preschool entrance, down the steps or ramp at your designated time.
- Line up, respecting social distance markers on the playground. The teacher will come out and collect your child. We will be there to welcome you and show you where to stand. I have put a picture on the class dojo page. This is also the collection point at the end of the day.
- Exit the site through the silver gate on the other side of the playground (picture below).
We are operating a one-way system for dropping off and picking up your children.

ENTRY GATE



EXIT GATE



This is a picture of the junior site. Your classrooms will be upstairs.



HOW YOU CAN PREPARE YOUR CHILD.

- Please read the attached social story to help us all learn how to 'social distance' and behave during this time. We will also be reading it and encouraging children to learn the 5 's' – we know you will feel anxious, but please talk positively. If you are confident – your children will be too.
- Please take your child's temperature every day before they leave for school. If it is over the 37.8 recommended temperature, please do not bring them to school.
- Please ask them to wash their hands thoroughly before leaving home and we will make sure they wash their hands when they first enter and leave the classroom.
- Please can all children wear school uniform. (Do not worry if they have grown out of shoes during this time and you have not been able to replace them, trainers will be fine)

HOW WE HAVE PREPARED FOR THE CHILDREN TO RETURN.

- We have removed soft furnishings, tables and chairs so there is much more space and less chance for things to be infected. Please **watch the virtual tour** on dojo with your children so they know what to expect. Every bubble class is identical.
- We have provided each child with their own pack of resources. These will not be shared.
- During the day bubbles will use Skype so the children can see their friends on our large new panels.
- A box of cleaning products will be used throughout the day to wipe down tables and resources used by the children (one box of cleaning products for each bubble). All resources will be cleaned at the end of the day.
- PPE will ONLY be worn when children need intimate care or are unwell i.e. sick. There are designated spaces within the school for these children to go to. If a child is unwell, the whole bubble will be sent home and the unwell child's parents will be asked to seek a test for COVID. The bubble will self-isolate.
- Bubbles of children also have designated toilets and only one child at a time is allowed to use them.
- We will be teaching phonics and Big Maths and lots of other fun projects too. It will not be quite the same as school as we knew it before lockdown, but each day does have a structure of fun learning activities.
- There will be two members of staff per bubble, a teacher and teaching assistant.

LUNCHTIME

- Each Bubble has a designated play space. No bubbles will physically interact.
- Lunches from the kitchen are available. They will only be serving sandwiches. If you require a school sandwich, **please use Parent Pay** to book one. Lunches will be eaten in their bubble classroom.
- If you have to pay for anything, please avoid using cash. The office will advise you.
- You may provide packed lunch for your child. They will also need a snack as fruit is not being delivered.

It is very important that you drop off and pick up your child promptly at the designated time below, using the one-way system. Please use email, dojo or phone the office if you would like to get a message to the staff rather than have a conversation at the beginning or end of the day.

	BUBBLE 1	BUBBLE 2	BUBBLE 3
	Miss Turnbull Mrs Coleman	Miss Olive Mrs Williams	Mrs Martin (Mon, Tue, Wed) Mrs Phillips (Wed, Thurs, Fri) Mrs Roberts
PLAY SPACE	Reception/ Year 1 playground, but each Bubble will have a different time to go there.		
START and FINISH	9:10 - 2:10	9:30 - 2:30	9:50 - 2:50

SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED EVERY FRIDAY AFTERNOON FROM 1:00 TO ENABLE TEACHERS TO HAVE THEIR PPA TIME (This is a legal requirement for us to provide). You will be advised of the specific collection time during the w/c 15th June.

Many thanks for your continued support. Please do not hesitate to email any questions you have to office@raysfieldfederation.org.uk Stay safe. Mrs Claire Hill