



through partnership and collaboration

29<sup>th</sup> May 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

## **RE: Update on School Opening**

Yesterday's government announcement to start to ease the 'lockdown' measures means that all of us can start to look forward to some form of normality. This includes some shops re-opening, wider opportunities to spend time with family and loved ones and, thankfully, the return to school for more pupils. The government has set a clear, and much welcomed pathway out of the lockdown and opening our schools more widely is an important part of that process.

We are now in a position to confirm that we can extend provision for children in nursery, reception, year one and year six from Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> June, with Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June being used as an opportunity for staff to return to schools in small groups so that we can familiarise ourselves with the re-opening plans. Staff from the school and across the Trust continue to work hard to ensure all risk assessment processes and plans are in place to protect pupils, staff and parents. These plans have signed off by the Trust Board and we will be continually reviewing and monitoring these within school.

We just have a few reminders that we thought might be useful to you ahead of next week:

The return of school would be staggered to enable each year group to start on different days. Please see the grid below

Monday	School closed for INSET day
Tuesday	Key worker group Nursery,
Wednesday	Key worker group, Nursery, Reception,
Thursday	Key worker group, Nursery, Reception and Year 1
Friday	Key worker group, Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 6

Start and finish times will also vary depending on the year group. To ensure the safety of all at Woodside it is vital that social distancing applies.

Parents crowding together at the beginning and end of the school day are discouraged and a 2 metre distance must be kept.

Some key reminders of expectation and procedures

- One parent to drop and collect their child from school
- Follow the signs for allocation of your child's classroom
- Keep 2 metres distance from other people



- When talking to your class teacher please keep 2 metres distance
- Wash/sanitise hands on entry and exit
- The office will only be open to one parent at a time
- Parents will not be allowed to enter the school building
- Children to leave pencil cases or other items at home
- Coats must be kept at home unless the weather is cold. Bags would be kept under your child's table
- Parents recommended to wash their children's clothes daily
- Please talk to your child about the importance of social distancing and what the school might look like
- In line with the government guidelines, groups of children that are not from the same household when socialising outside of school should do so outside and adhere to the social distancing rules.

Please see a reminder of the time in which your child will start and finish school. We have staggered times to allow for less crowds. It is important that your child arrives to school promptly and is collected on time.

Year Group	Start time	End time
Nursery AM	8.45	11.45
Nursery PM	12.30	3.30
Nursery all day	8.45	3.30
Reception	9.15-9.30	2.45
Year One	9.00-9.15	3.00
Year Six	8.45-9.00	3.15
Keyworker	9.00-9.15	3.00

Finally, this is new to us all so we will continue to welcome feedback on how we are doing and will always listen and respond to any individual concerns and challenges. We are greatly looking forward to welcoming back some of our school community next week and hope that this will be the beginning of readjusting and rebuilding school life in a positive and safe way.

As always, thank you for your continued support for our children and school community, we really do appreciate this.

Yours sincerely

Claudia Fleary-Tayabali Associate Headteacher