



Dear Parent/Carer

Thank you to those who completed the survey regarding the opening of school to other year groups.

After reading the responses and seeing the amount of families that would send their children back to school we felt there was enough interest to invite those children whose parents answered 'Yes' to the survey back to school.

Myself and the SLT have put together a plan to bring back more children into school safely, in accordance with guidelines and in a way that we feel confident.

In order for this to work, we need the support and understanding of parents.

Therefore, from the 29th June we will be inviting Year 4 and 5 back and from the 6th July we will be inviting Year 2 and 3 back. This will mean we have children in all year groups back. Key Worker children will then join their respective year groups.

Parents who replied 'yes' to sending their child back will be given priority places. This was the fairest option to open the school up wider whilst still adhering to guidance and children in 'bubbles' of 15. The parents who replied 'yes' on the survey will be contacted individually to confirm their child's place. The 'bubbles' will be as follows:

Reception/Year 1

Years 2/3 (at capacity)

Years 4/5 (at capacity)

Year 6

As you can see, the Year 2/3 and Year 4/5 bubbles will be at capacity; this means that if you answered 'unsure' or 'no' to the survey and you would now like your child to return that they will not be in their year group's bubble unless there is space. Instead, depending on interest, we will open up a separate bubble which will be mixed aged groups. I appreciate that this may not be ideal for some, but it is the fairest and only way possible whilst adhering to the guidance.

We will be following the guidance that is set out on previous communication so please ensure that you and your child are familiar with this.

We will not be offering flexi-hours, so if your child is to return to school then they are expected to do so.

School will remain shut on Wednesday and Friday afternoons for deep cleans.

The school day timings are as follows. We ask that you do not turn up before the designated time and that you do not stay after it so that we adhere to social distancing. If you have children in separate bubbles then you are welcome to wait by the bench until the correct time. Only one parent or adult should pick children up and the adult picking up must be permitted to do so in accordance with Government guidelines; we also ask that the adult wait in one of the clearly marked spots. If a child may walk home we must have parental consent. The bottom gate will remain closed.

School day times:

Bubble	Drop off	Collection (Mon, Tues, Thurs)	Collection (Weds and Fri)
Rec/Y1	9.00am	3.00pm	1.15pm
Y2/3	9.05am	3.05pm	1.20pm
Y4/5	9.10am	3.10pm	1.25pm
Y6	8.55am	3.15pm	1.30pm

We will not be offering wrap-around care at this time and the Nursery will remain closed.

We ask that if your child or another house member is displaying symptoms of COVID:19 that they remain off school and that we are made aware so that we can follow the correct protocol. If your child is displaying signs of any illness then we will contact you and they will be expected to be collected immediately; again we will be following the correct protocol.

Within school, break times and lunch times will be staggered. Children may have packed lunch or school dinners. There will be no entry to the building to parents, unless otherwise agreed. Should you need to speak to a teacher then please ring before-hand so that we can arrange an appointment. There will be clearly marked spacing to encourage social distancing and bubbles will have designated rooms and areas of the school to use. Children should bring their own water bottles, ideally named and already filled, but will not need to bring anything else unless requested to do so. They will be provided with all that they need.

Children will not need to wear uniform but are welcome to wear a school fleece, cardigan or jumper. Their clothing must be appropriate for outdoor learning, art and must be tasteful for a school environment. They will also need to bring sun cream and sun hats.

For those children not returning to school then we will still provide online learning, although please be aware that this may not be as in depth as it was before.

Should you have answered 'no' or 'unsure' but you have changed your mind and would like your child to attend, then please email secretary@stburyanacademy.org. When there is enough interest we will look into the possibility of opening another bubble providing we are confident we can do so effectively.

The bubbles have been arranged so that they adhere to the 15 child capacity, which means that there are slight discrepancies between current classes, however these groupings will aid with transition for the next academic year.

In terms of a full re-opening and the 2020/21 academic year, we still await further guidance from the Government.

We will contact those who answered 'yes' in the first instance, a quick reply would be much appreciated.

Thank you

Mr McDonald
Head of School