



Thursday, 2nd April 2026

Dear Parents,

RE: EYFS Update 2nd April

Thank you for your continued support and for taking the time to respond to our recent request regarding your intentions for your child's return to school. We are extremely grateful for your engagement and the clarity this has provided as we plan our next steps.

From the responses received, we have a very even split between families who wish to continue with online learning and those who are ready for their children to attend school in person. As a result, our approach has been carefully designed to ensure that both groups of pupils continue to receive a high-quality and consistent educational experience.

To support this, some teachers will continue to deliver live online lessons for those pupils learning from home, while others will be based in school to teach the children attending in person. This model allows us to maintain continuity in learning while adapting to the current circumstances in a balanced and manageable way.

We feel it is particularly important to prioritise familiarity and stability. Therefore, all children will remain with their usual classmates wherever possible. We are very mindful that this is a period of significant change, and maintaining familiar peer groups will help to support children's wellbeing and sense of security. Whilst some class teachers will be delivering online lessons, pupils in school will continue to be taught by familiar adults, ensuring consistency in relationships and routines.

Throughout the school day, pupils attending in person will experience a blend of classroom-based learning and elements of our current provision. The timetable will be adapted to reflect the challenges we are currently facing, ensuring that learning remains purposeful, structured, and appropriate for all pupils.

We have now received an update from the Ministry of Education regarding emergency procedures. The Senior Leadership Team are currently working on these, writing and refining them today and over the course of the weekend. On Sunday, we will ensure that all staff are fully briefed and clear on these procedures to enable our children to return safely.

As a result of this careful planning and preparation, we will be reopening the school for in-person learning from **Monday 6th April**.

School gates will open at 7.30am, with lessons starting at 8.15am. FS1 pupils are to be collected at 12.30pm, with pupils in FS2 and Year 1 finishing at 1.30pm. Drop off and collection will be in the same locations as normal. A reminder that there will be no school



transport during this time, so please ensure all transport is organised, especially for the end of the day pick up.

We are also working on a tightly controlled safety plan to ensure the safe return of all pupils and staff. As part of this, all confirmed pupils attending in person are being organised into carefully managed registers and groupings. Therefore, we may need to make internal adjustments should there be any changes to your decision regarding attendance. If you decide to change from online learning to in-person attendance, we kindly ask for at least **48 hours' notice** so that we can accommodate this safely and effectively. This is to be communicated by contact either myself or Ms Veronica at Reception.

We will continue to keep you fully informed as arrangements develop further and will share any additional details ahead of reopening. As always, our priority is to provide a safe, supportive, and high-quality learning environment for every child.

In addition to these arrangements, we would also like to inform you of temporary changes to school access due to road construction. Please note that the school exit will be temporarily used for both entrance and exit. We kindly ask all parents and drivers to follow the directed entrance routes to ensure smooth traffic flow and a safe driving area.

Thank you once again for your ongoing support and partnership.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. Will Winton

Head of Primary