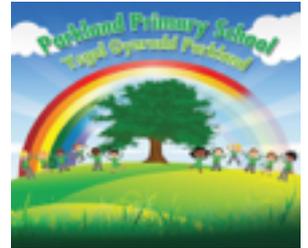


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Dear parents/carers,

I hope you are all well in these challenging times. I am really looking forward to seeing the children who are returning to us on June 29th. I have very much missed them and life in school. Although school life will look different for the time being, we are determined to make the time that children spend with us really enjoyable, packed with fun, learning and as safe as possible.

I feel like I am writing letters continually telling you that more information will follow and I apologise for this, it is somewhat frustrating. However, the situation seems to be changing regularly and I do not want to give information which I then need to change. As a result, I aim to provide as much information at this point which I know will not change. I hope to provide a full update by Friday 19th June.

I am very sorry to inform parents/carers of nursery aged children that the local authority has taken the decision not to bring nursery children back into school until September. We are looking into ways in which we can facilitate some meaningful communication between children and staff, for those nursery children whose parents would welcome it.

When children return from June 29th onwards I can now confirm that they will be in groups of up to eight at one time. Children will return for one day each week for the four weeks from June 29th until July 24th. We have tried to ensure children are with friends and that siblings attend on the same day. I am sure you can imagine this has been a challenge.

When children return they will need to bring a packed lunch as there will be no canteen staff available to prepare food. Children will eat their lunch in the classrooms. Children will spend their days participating in a range of well being and learning activities. We aim to ensure the children have lots of fun and enjoy their days back in school. A teacher and an additional member of staff will remain with the children throughout the day. Children will be undertaking activities inside and outside. I would like children to wear uniform so they feel like they are back in school. However, if they have outgrown their uniform over the recent months they can wear school colours or something appropriate for school. Please consider that the children will be spending a lot of time outdoors. Children will remain in their groups and there will not be any mixing across these groups. We will also encourage social distancing at all times.

The Emergency Childcare setting will be running at the same time, but the children in the this setting will not be mixing with the children in classes. The local authority have given a directive that the Emergency Childcare will now run from 8.30am until

3.30pm. I have asked this to be reconsidered but I am not sure if this is possible at this time. If I am told we can extend the hours, I will let you know, as I know this could cause difficulty for some parents/carers and this is something I always wish to avoid. The children who attend the Emergency Childcare setting can attend their class session on their given day but cannot move between the class and the emergency childcare setting during the day.

As stated I am hopeful I can provide a full and detailed update to you by Friday, containing final plans for the resumption of school starting on Monday June 29th.

Kindest regards,

Anne Lloyd.



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