

Dear Parents and Carers

### **Phased Reopening at BPA**

We are writing to you today as we are beginning to survey parents and carers about children returning. We are only currently surveying the parents and carers of groups of children specified by the government: children of critical workers, children with an EHCP, vulnerable children, children in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 6. A survey has already been sent for critical workers to complete.

If you have a child in Nursery please click [here](#).

If you have a child in Reception please click [here](#).

If you have a child in Year 1 please click [here](#).

If you have a child in Year 6 please click [here](#).

If you have more than one child in a year group please complete a form per child.

The phased return will be dependent on the government meeting their 5 key targets. Therefore, there is no date set for the school to start a phased reopening, although the aspiration is for the phased return to begin from 1<sup>st</sup> June.

The main points to consider with how Begbrook Primary Academy may 'look and feel' in order to keep your children and our staff safe are:

- If you select a place for your child, they will have a place for all the days that the school is open.
- An enhanced deep clean will happen on a Wednesday – therefore school will only be open to critical worker's children and vulnerable children on a Wednesday.
- There will be a staggered start to the school day, **therefore there will be no breakfast club provision.**
- Children will be in groups of around 8 children. Children will not necessarily be grouped with their classmates or teacher but will be grouped with children of a similar age. These groups will remain together throughout the day and NOT mix with any other children. This is to create a 'bubble' so adults and children only mix with people from inside their 'bubble' making it as safe as possible for everyone.

- The number of children in school will be significantly less than the number we ordinarily cater for. This number is limited by staff capacity and health and safety guidance.
- Children will be allocated their own learning space which will be situated 2 metres apart from anyone else.
- Children will have their own resources (pencil, pen, etc) which they will not share with any other child.
- During PE no equipment will be used.
- There will be a staggered lunchtime where children will collect their lunch from the dining hall and eat it in the classroom they have been working in.
- Children will have outside play for lunchtime and at other set times throughout the day where they will remain in their group and only play with these children.
- There will be a staggered end to the day, **therefore there will be no after school club provision.**
- Children will be encouraged to wash their hands regularly for 20 seconds and hand sanitiser will be provided.
- Surfaces will be cleaned regularly throughout the day and at the end of the day.

As detailed in the letter from Steve Taylor (CEO of the CLF) your child may be eligible for a place but the legal responsibility to ensure your child attends school has been temporarily suspended.

If you have questions regarding the phased reopening please email [info@bpa.cabot.ac.uk](mailto:info@bpa.cabot.ac.uk) using 'Reopening' as the subject in the email. Where appropriate we will respond individually however common queries will be addressed in an FAQ when all details of the phased reopening have been confirmed.

Kind regards

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