



Lessness Heath Primary School

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Provisional Plans for the Phase Re-Opening of Lessness Heath - (Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 only)

As you can imagine preparing for the phased return to school has been a challenge and we are navigating a situation that we have not dealt with previously. Because of this, as a Headteacher, I need to be confident that the steps I am taking are in the best interest of everyone and I must exercise caution. For this reason, the phased re-opening of Lessness Heath will be a slow and measured approach.

Please be aware that all of these plans are subject to change, depending on Government advice and circumstances within the school.

To enable us to create smaller classes, classes will be divided into group A and group B and will attend for two sessions per week. You will be told if your child is a group A or a group B. Please see table below to illustrate this:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Group A	Group A	Closed for deep cleaning	Group B	Group B
15 children			15 children	

The teachers will allocate groups and we will ensure that siblings attend school on the same day but we are unable to take requests for specific days from all parents, as this would be unmanageable.

Key Worker and vulnerable children from 1st June

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8.50-3.10	8.50-3.10	8.50-3.10	8.50-3.10	8.50-3.10

(the day is extended for some key worker children whose parents have already agreed this with the school)

Please be aware children cannot be in the key worker groups **and** in their class groups as this could lead to spread of the virus between different groups of children. Therefore, if parents want to use the key worker service, children will not be able to join their class groups. I have sent an additional



letter on this to families who fall into the 'key workers category'. The children of key workers cannot join their class groups, this means they will not be with their teacher and in their class.

Provisional Return Dates

Year group	Provisional date of return	Session timings	Staffing	
Nursery	1 st June	9.00 – 12. 00 (lunch from 11.30 – 12.00 – children must have a packed lunch)	1 teacher per class – and then 2 TAs floating across the 4 classrooms	15 in each group from each class Distance learning available online
Reception	1 st June	9.00 – 12. 30 (lunch from 12.00 – 12.30 – children may have a school dinner but it will not be the choices they have previously been used to)	1 teacher per class – and then 2 TAs floating across the 4 classrooms	15 in each group from each class Distance learning available on line
Year 1	8 th June	9.30 – 1. 00 (lunch from 12.30 – 1.00 – children may have a school dinner but it will not be the choices they have previously been used to)	2 adults per class	15 in each group from each class Distance learning available online
Year 6	15 th June	9.25 – 1. 30 (lunch from 1.30 – 1.30 – children may have a school dinner if they are FSM but it will not be the choices they have previously been used to)	1 adult per class	15 in each group from each class Distance learning available online
Years 2, 3, 4 and 5	No dates confirmed			Distance learning available online

Year 6 Children



I know that the summer term for Year 6 should be a very special one and they should be doing lots of wonderful things to celebrate the end of their primary school education. Unfortunately, due to the limits of social distancing, we are not going to be able to celebrate with the Year 6 classes as we usually would, particularly the leavers plays and shirt signing.

I am so sorry that this is the case and feel disappointed for the children but do not want to raise children's hopes and expectations of what it will be like. I will of course be working with the Year 6 team to think of things we can do for the children but of course this will be very limited.

Further information

Further details on the phased re-opening will follow in the weeks to come – you can expect to receive the following:

- The school's plan for managing risks
- A parental guide to prepare your child for returning to school
- Our plan for a staggered pick up and drop off and allocated class groupings
- Social distancing Policy
- A video of what school will look like for your child to help you see the measures we are putting in place
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ACTION FOR ALL PARENTS IN NURSERY AND RECEPTION

Email admin@lessnessheath.bexley.sch.uk by 9am on Friday 22nd May to inform us whether your child/children will be returning to school on Monday 1st June 2020.