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Round up of our Return to school

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Dear Parents/carers

This week we welcomed back our returning Year 6 pupils who joined our Key Worker children in school. We would just like to share with you how this week has gone in school to reassure you all as parents/carers:

- All returning Year 6 children have settled brilliantly back into school routine and have really embraced the control measures school has put in place to protect themselves and others. They have shown great maturity in adopting our social distancing and handwashing measures, we have been so proud of them this week in how they have adapted to the change. We would like to take this opportunity to thank you as parents/carers for supporting our control measures and reinforcing them with your children at home, this has clearly helped them in their return to school.
- All our returning children are now in their designated 'Bubble Group' and have quickly settled back into the structured routine of learning. The children are coping really well and thoroughly enjoying being back at school, with their friends, and getting back into the routine of formal lessons. Our Class Teachers and Teaching Support staff continue to do an amazing job in their delivery of lessons and we are confident that any gaps in children's learning will soon be plugged.
- Our returning children have also really enjoyed the opportunity to engage in a range of activities to support their mental health and well-being as part of our return to school pastoral care arrangements. We also continue to support and reassure parents/carers who are naturally anxious about their child's return to school. We hope you are enjoying and finding reassurance in the videos prepared by school staff and Year 6 pupils.
- As Government Guidance for returning to school changes and as we also review our own returning to school control measures we will continue to send parents updates and reminders via ParentMail. Please take the time to read these so together we can best prepare and support your child's return to school.
- Mr Read, Mrs Perkins and Mrs White continue to do a fantastic job in supporting children's home learning through setting work/activities for all the children who are still home learning.
- Our new packed lunch menu is going down a storm with our children who are particularly enjoying the new pasta and rice salads.
- We practiced our Fire Drill this week and managed to evacuate all children in school safety in 2 minutes 9 seconds. Our children coped exceptionally well with the evacuation – Well done to you all!
- Drop-off and Pick-ups have also been successful, may I take this opportunity to remind all parents/carers of the importance of dropping off/collecting your child promptly at their allotted time so we can maintain the social distancing control measures we have put in place.
- Our new ParentMail booking system for Key Worker children in also going well with many slots already fully booked. Please ensure you continue to book your child's place as we can only offer a maximum of 30 places so you will need to book early to avoid disappointment.

We look forward to welcoming back our Year 1 children on Monday 8th June followed by our Reception children on the 15th June. I would just like to once again thank all our parents/carers for your continued support and also thank our school team for their flexibility, hard-work and energy in helping make our children's return to school this week such a success.

Kind regards,
Headteacher