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Plans for Step 4 of the Roadmap from July 19th.

I am now in a position to brief you about the plans in place from Step 4 of the Roadmap.

Important Information

We have been advised by Central Bedfordshire LA to keep all current plans in place until the end of term. This is due to the rising number of cases in the area. All parents arriving for the Year 4 Vintage Tea Party should continue to wear their masks on site until seated at a table and then remain seated during the party to avoid cross contamination and to keep everyone safe.

Changes from September

Class Groups/Bubbles/Shared Resources: It is no longer necessary to keep children in bubbles.

Assemblies: Assemblies will take place as normal

Lunchtimes: Will operate as normal and there will be no bubbles in operation.

Break times: These will operate as normal. Teachers will have the flexibility as normal to choose their playtime for their class or mix with other classes.

Before and After School Club: This will operate as normal and a range of after school clubs will be in operation from September.

Face Masks: Staff will still have the option to wear these if they feel it is necessary.

Start and End of the School Day: The school day will revert back to the normal times of 9 - 3.30pm with children as usual being welcomed into school from 8.45. Mrs Davies will be on the playground each morning to meet and greet you. All children will continue to enter into school as they have been doing - see below.

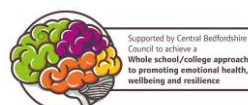
Start of Day: School will open as usual from 8.45

Reception: Enter school through outside door to classroom

Year 1: Enter school through outside door to classroom



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Year 2: Enter school through playground door
Year 3: Enter school through playground door
Year 4: Enter school through outside door to classroom

End of Day: All children will continue to be collected from their collection points, as you have been doing these past months.

Blue Badge Parking: as the school gates will be closed from 8.45 am. Please can we ask disabled parkers to use the top end of the bus bay closest to the school gates. We will ask the buses to use the bottom end of the bus bay. If you require further assistance please speak to Mrs Davies and we can advise you further. If they are using the bay disabled drivers must display their blue badge.

Tracing Close Contacts and Isolation: From 16th August children under the age of 18 years old will no longer be required to self-isolate if they are contacted by NHS Test and Trace as a close contact of a positive COVID 19 case. Instead children will be contacted by NHS Test and Trace, informed they have been in close contact with a positive case and advised to take a PCR test. We would encourage all individuals to take a PCR test if advised to do so.

If anyone in school develops COVID 19 symptoms, however mild, we will send them home and advise parents to follow public health advice. Pupils with a positive LFD test should book a PCR test and should self-isolate in line with the stay at home guidance. **All pupils with symptoms must have a PCR test to confirm they are positive.**

Pupils with Symptoms: The new guidance states: *In most cases, parents and carers will agree that a pupil with symptoms should not attend the school, given the potential risk to others. If a parent or carer insists on a pupil attending your school, you (the Head Teacher) can take the decision to refuse the pupil if, in your reasonable judgement, it is necessary to protect other pupils and staff from possible infection with COVID-19.*

Local Outbreaks: If we have an outbreak in school or if there is a local outbreak we might be advised to revert to the current system of children operating in bubbles.

Remote Education: All pupils with a confirmed positive PCR test who then need to isolate for 10 days will be provided with remote education. Parents can request a laptop from school if one is needed to work on at home if their child is well enough to do so.

Good Hygiene Practices - All of these measures will stay in place from September:

- All staff have been briefed about the continual need to clean as often as is possible across the school day.
- Our cleaner will be cleaning classrooms as she has continued to do so across this period, this will include all door handles and any surfaces that have been used by children.
- Children will be supervised washing/sanitising their hands across the school day including when they arrive in school, when they return from breaks and when they change rooms before and after eating.
- Tissues will be on supply in the classroom for children to catch it, bin it, kill it.
- Soap and antibacterial wash will be available around the school.

• **Inset Days Next Year**

These will be

1st, 2nd, 3rd Sept

1st November

19th April



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• **Term Dates**

Autumn term 6th September - 17th December

Half Term: 25th - 29th October

Spring Term: 4th January - 1st April

Half Term: 14th - 18th February

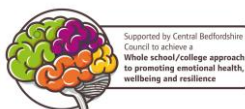
Summer Term: 20th April - 22nd July

Half Term: 30th May - 4rd June

Kind regards
Miss Godwin
Head Teacher



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