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Headteacher's Newsletter – 24th February

We now know that all schools will be fully open again from Monday 8th March and so we are planning for all children to be back in their classrooms with their class teachers from Monday 8th March.

Remote Learning for children at home until we reopen for all on Monday 8th March

The last remote online teaching sessions will be the morning of Wednesday 3rd March. We will have Wednesday 3rd as our PE/Craft afternoon and then on Thursday and Friday there will be some world book day fun and activities provided. If you need paper copies we will print these and they can be collected from the school office.

Managing the Covid/Coronavirus risk – from 8th March

Although schools reopening fully is the first stage in the recovery, we all need to be mindful that there is still a long way to go before things are fully back to "normal".

In school, the children will not mix outside of their class bubbles. There will be allocated staff for each bubble. There will be separate playtimes, lunchtimes, toilet times etc.

It is vital that parents support us to keep the whole community safe by following the national guidelines (<u>www.gov.uk/guidance/national-lockdown-stay-at-home</u>) at all times.

We need to do our best to ensure safety but also to maximise learning time.

Drop off in the morning is anytime from 8.50am – 8.58am with teaching starting promptly at 9am. It is vital that parents do not come into the playground before 8.50am but that children are in school ready for teaching to start at 9am.

Children will come out of school through the door closest to their classroom with Beech Class pick up between 2.50 and 3pm and Rowan and Elm between 2.55 and 3.05pm. No entry to the school site before 2.50pm for Beech Class parents and 2.55pm for Rowan and Elm Class parents.

Parents must keep a distance of at least 2 metres away from anyone who is not a member of their household or childcare bubble. I know that this may be difficult in a small playground, but please do your bit as parents to help to keep the community safe - Always leave straight after collection – do not stay to talk to others or let your children play and maybe also wear a mask/face covering. Hopefully if cases and deaths stay down we will move to the next stage on 29th March and 2 households/6 people will then be able to meet outdoors.

Breakfast Club and After School Club operated by Nurturing Childcare will be fully operational again for all children and the staff leading and supporting the sessions will only work with these children and will be testing twice weekly – in the same way that all school staff do.

Our after school clubs with the sports coaches will be able to start again.