

Tuesday 14th July,

Reopening of Chantry Community Primary School

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are writing to confirm that all children will finally be returning to Chantry on Monday 7th September. We appreciate that the last few months have been difficult for many of you and home learning has its challenges.

Firstly, thank you for your patience, we know that many of your children have really missed being in school and seeing their friends and it has been hard for them watching some year groups return and not others. Reopening safely, has always been our priority and we are pleased that the government guidance has changed to enable us to fully reopen in September. We take the safety of our whole school community very seriously and the Senior Leadership Team have been planning carefully, to make sure that we continue to put everything we possibly can in place and follow the most recent government guidance, to ensure we minimise any risk to children and staff. Our risk assessment is available on our website for parents to look at.

We recognise that school will look a little different from usual. To minimise the number of people on the school site we will be having a staggered start and end to the day. Each year group has a fifteen minute drop off window and we ask you to drop off throughout this time so that we don't have thirty parents and children arriving at once. Reception also have a longer collection window as there is less space for parents to wait. More details of these arrangements can be found in the accompanying information pack. We ask that you read this carefully before your child returns to school in September.

Unfortunately, children will not be able to come into school early as there is a risk they may mix with other classes, if you have children in different year groups, please use the fifteen minute window whenever possible so that you are not having to wait on the playground. If you have any questions, please telephone the school office.

Please do not stay around and chat to other parents as it is important that we keep the class bubbles separate at these busy times. We are working really hard in school to keep children as safe as possible and as you leave school we also ask that you try and avoid children mixing with children in other classes e.g. at JJs park.

Year Group	Start time	Collection Time	Gate	Entrance
Reception	8.30-8.45 am	3.00-3.15 pm	Main gate	Reception gate
Year 1	8.30-8.45 am	3.00 pm	Bottom gate	KS1 door
Year 2	9.00-9.15 am	3.30 pm	Main gate	Front door
Year3	8.45-9.00 am	3.15 pm	Bottom gate	KS2 door
Year4	8.30 -8.45 am	3.00 pm	Front slope	Year 4 door
Year 5	8.45-9.00 am	3.15 pm	Front slope	Year 5 door
Year 6	9.00-9.15 am	3.30 pm	Bottom gate	Year 6 door

Unfortunately, we will not be able to offer Early Bird Club during the first few weeks of term. This will be reviewed at the end of September and we hope to get this up and running as soon as possible. There will be no after school clubs during term one.

In order to support children during this time of transition, we will be focusing on supporting their mental health and well-being in addition to the academic work we will be doing. Teachers will continue to reinforce the hygiene and



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social distancing measures in an age appropriate way with their groups, without worrying the children, it is important that all children feel happy and comfortable in school.

We appreciate that this might be a worrying time for some of you and if you do have any concerns or questions about the arrangements we are putting in place, please telephone the school office and speak to a member of the Senior Leadership Team.

Thank you for all your support over this challenging time, we have really appreciated the kind messages that we have received over the last few months. We would like to pay tribute to the entire staff and kitchen team who have worked tirelessly throughout lockdown. Their efforts have enabled us to remain open throughout the pandemic and we thank them for all their dedication.

We are looking forward to welcoming all of our children back on Monday September 7th and hope we can continue to work together, as we move into the next phase of lockdown easing.

Yours sincerely,

Becky Reed

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Headteacher

Richard Sage
Chair of Governors



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