



28th May 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

As you are aware the government has advised that schools will re-open for children in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 from 1st June only when it is safe to do so. As a school, Downsell Primary is committed to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all children, staff and members of the community.

Since the announcement we have undertaken a comprehensive risk assessment to ensure:

- Safety of pupils and staff while in school;
- Social distancing in and around school;
- Good hand hygiene;
- An appropriate curriculum promoting wellbeing as well as academic progress.

It is for this reason Downsell Primary School will open to pupils as follow:

Monday 15th June - Year 6, 8:45 am – 12:30 pm, for the first 2 weeks

Tuesday 16th June - Year 1, 9 am – 12:15 pm

Wednesday 17th June – Reception, 9 am – 12 noon

Thursday 18th June – Nursery, 9 am – 11:45 am

Dropping and collecting children:

Dropping off and collecting of children will be staggered. Entrance to the school will be from Downsell Road and exit through the gates on the corner of Downsell and Hall Road. Brierley Road will be used for both entry and exit, however staff will be on duty to reinforce social distancing. For Nursery, entrance and exit will be through Nursery Gates, please use the ramp to enter and the staircase to exit.

As you walk around the school you will notice floor markings in the playground and classroom. The school will be opened from 1st June – 12th June as inset days. Staff will first need to become familiar with the safety procedures around the school site. Due to social distancing we can only provide training for small groups of staff at a time. The training is extensive to ensure the safety and wellbeing of children and staff. This decision to open on the 15th June has been made to ensure the safety and wellbeing of every child, and adult on the school grounds.

When children do return to school from the 15th they will be expected to bring in their own water bottle. Please ensure the bottle is clearly marked with your child's name. (All water fountains have been put out of use). **Children must come to school wearing their school uniform.**



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Children in Reception, Year 1 and children who are entitled to free school meals will be sent home with a packed lunch while they attend school on a reduced timetable.

Home learning will still continue for the all year groups and teachers will continue to upload recordings on Google Classroom.

Should you need any help with this please do not hesitate to get in touch with the school office.

As parents you have a choice whether to send your child into school or not. Please be aware there will not be a fine imposed for non attendance.

If you have not told us that you would like your child to attend you must give us 48 hours' notice. Please do not turn up with your child as we won't be able to start them on the day without careful planning. This is to ensure the safety of your child and others at school.

Yours faithfully,

Mr D Chetty
Headteacher



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