



Holywell Primary School

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Dear Parent/Carers

Thank you to those parents who responded to our survey monkey survey last week. We want to continue to improve provision so if you have not already completed the survey please do so by clicking on the link below.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/9SCJBCV>

In addition to this, each teacher will give families a call this week to see how everyone is doing.

I am writing to clarify where we are in our response to COVID-19. Following the Prime Ministers announcement last night, I confirm that school is still closed until further notice. At the moment we can continue to provide care for Key Workers in the fight against COVID-19. If your work is critical to the COVID-19 response or you work in one of the critical sectors, and you cannot keep your child safe at home, your child will be prioritised for education provision.

As announced last night, and pending the government review period, we might be in a position to open on the 1st June 2020 for pupils in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 6. Once we are given the go ahead we will inform those parents specifically.

I anticipate that with social distancing guidance implemented, school will open for these year groups and run as it would on a normal day i.e. provide lunches etc. More guidance will be sent out nearer the time to parents about what social distancing arrangement will be made and if we need to make any changes. Our primary concern is the safety of pupils, staff and visitors to the school site.

So as for now it is business as usual and as a parent you can expect

- EYFs work set on Tapestry
- KS1 and KS2 – 6 online lessons delivered via Google Classroom (Year 6 – 9 lessons)
- A timetable on Google Classroom setting out learning for the week
- Work set to follow the timetable set out on Google Classroom
- One Art and one Spanish lesson every other week
- 2 assemblies each week



We will also continue to provide vouchers through the government scheme, Edenred, for those pupils who qualify for Free school meal.

As we receive more guidance we will communicate this to parents.

Yours faithfully

Mr C van Straaten
Headteacher