



Dear Parents / Carers,

31st December 2020

Information Letter 1-Spring Term 2021

Following the Government announcement yesterday, I am now able to let you know about our plans for returning next week. By using the Government advice and our own robust risk-assessments, we will continue to keep the children and all the staff that work in our school safe.

In the first instance, you will not see many changes. Most of the announcements that were made yesterday were for secondary schools and the schools that find themselves in the high-risk areas in the South of England. I am sure that parents with older children will be receiving quite different correspondence today. There has been little guidance for primary schools.

The main goal of the Government is to keep schools open. NJK will open to **all** pupils on **Tuesday 5th January 2020**. All children will be expected to return unless instructed by *Test and Trace* or medical professionals not to do so. If you have either of these exemptions, then please let the school know at your earliest convenience.

Start and End of day Procedures

The start and end of day procedures will remain the same for the spring term. Pupils in Year 5 and 6 will enter via the school gate at 8.44am, key stage two pupils and parents at 8.45am and key stage one at 9am. **Please note-siblings are to be dropped off and collected at the same time. This will be the time slot for your older sibling.**

In line with the rest of the Avonreach primaries, I must now insist that all adults that are on the school site wear a face covering. The members of staff will also wear a face covering and will be standing 2m away from other people. I will send reminder texts about timings and procedures on Monday 4th January.

Further Safety Precautions

Most of the changes that will happen next week will be to support the staff in keeping themselves safe inside the school. Towards the end of January, school staff will begin to be tested regularly through lateral flow testing. I will keep you informed as soon as we know more about any further changes happening in primary schools. Once again, this term all helpers such as parent readers, will be unable to come in to school. I will let you know as soon as this changes.

Isolating and Remote Learning

This guidance remains the same. If someone tests positive within a bubble, either staff or child, then we will switch into our remote learning plan. You can find information about this on the parent page on the school's website. We have been fortunate so far with no positive cases during the autumn term. We will keep up with at least the same safety measures to hopefully prevent cases this term, too.

Wrap Around Care-January 2021

New guidance was published today regarding pupil eligibility to wrap around care. It seems at present we can still offer breakfast club and after school clubs in the way we intended to do so. The pupils will be organised into key stage bubbles and will be kept in these separate bubbles both before and after school. I will be



working with the staff on Monday 4th January to ensure that all pupils and staff are being kept safe during this out of school hours provision. Once again, the wrap around care provision will be reviewed regularly.

So, as this year draws to a close, I hope that in these difficult times, you feel reassured that we will continue to put the safety of all pupils, staff and parents first. Please stay safe and I look forward to seeing you all soon.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Dean', written in a cursive style.

Mrs Dean

Headteacher