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Dear Parent and Carers

I hope you were able to enjoy some sunshine during the half term break. At school we are busy preparing for the return of some more pupils from 8th June. **This only applies to pupils in years R,1 and 6.** We are required to ensure we have enough spaces for all our key worker and vulnerable children in school, so we cannot guarantee a place for others returning until we have a clear idea of numbers.

It is for many people a difficult decision to make and a number of parents have asked us for some additional information, which we will do our best to provide. It's a tricky balance to strike between being honest with you about the guidance and the implications for our day to day work at school, whilst also wanting to maintain our caring environment which we all value so much.

If you do decide to send your children into school from 8th June onwards (for years R,1 and 6) getting them prepared by explaining how school will be different will really help with the transition from home to school. Reception and Year 1 will form one bubble of children, along with the Infant Key Worker children and both the Robins and Owls Classrooms have been altered so that the tables are now separated and chairs are 2m apart. There are 7 tables in the Robins room and 5 in the Owls with a chair at each, which will become a child's 'station'. The adults who will be with this bubble will also be from the Infants' team.

Year 6 and the Junior children of Key Workers will form another bubble in the Eagles classroom and the hall where there are 6 tables. Again the desks are all at a 2m distance and would be the child's 'station' and work space. The adults in this bubble will be mostly from the KS2 team.

The timetable will be slightly different too as we will be using the learning packs that are being used for home learning in the classroom. There will be a big focus on PSHE and ensuring the children feel secure and happy at school. We are also gathering a range of open ended activities that the children can really get involved in but at their table, for example they might have a science focus or a DT focus. We will also be using our school grounds as much as possible to carry out our lessons too, which if this lovely weather continues could be really great!

I have included some photos at the end of this letter to give an indication of how the classrooms now look.

If your child will **definitely** be in school next week, can you please confirm this by email with Mrs Hamilton on info@cromford.derbyshire.sch.uk by **Wednesday of this week at the latest**. If you decide not to send your child back, then it may be possible to allow other children from the year groups R,1 and 6 in at a later date if that is required, but it will always be dependent on ensuring we have sufficient places for Key Worker and vulnerable children. Please remember that you will not be fined for keeping your child at home and that it will not affect their attendance record.

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Children in R,1 and 6 will be required to attend school each day from Monday to Thursday.

We have staggered the days next week when the children will return to school. From Monday 8th June, school will be open as shown below.

Here is a reminder of the timings for next week, please ensure you arrive promptly at drop off and collection times.

Year 6 from Monday 8th June 3.15pm	arrive between 8.45am and 8.55am and collect at
Year 1 from Tuesday 9th June 3.00pm	arrive between 9.00am and 9.15am and collect at
Year R from Wednesday 10th June 3.00pm	arrive between 9.00am and 9.15am and collect at
Key worker children	arrive at time arranged with school

Please remember that school for R, 1 and 6 finishes on a Thursday each week. Key worker children can also attend on a Friday.

Key worker children – please ensure we know which days your child will need by Wednesday of the week before so that we can arrange staffing – this is particularly important if you require breakfast or after school care.

Children do not need to wear their school uniform but must be dressed appropriately for indoor and outdoor activities - no flip flops or crocs. Please make sure your child has sun cream and a hat as we are going to be working outside as much as possible.

Following medical advice I will continue to work from home so I am sorry I will not be able to see you in person for the next few weeks. I am remaining in constant contact with staff and Miss Marshall will be in school every day. You can contact me anytime by emailing school or telephoning the office.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any further questions at all and we will do our best to help.

I hope you are all keeping safe and well.

Yours faithfully

Mrs L Foster
Head Teacher

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Robins' classroom



Owls' classroom



Eagles' classroom



Hall



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