



Millfield Primary School

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The governing body is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment

May 22nd, 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

The Government has said it wants primary schools to open for some children before the end of the summer term. This decision will be confirmed on 29th May at the earliest.

We are working on our plans now and will share them as soon as we can. The safety and wellbeing of all our children, their families and our staff are our priorities and we will ensure that it is a well planned and managed process. Please be aware that the plans may need to change if there are changes in Government advice.

Our plans will include:

- Continuing to remain open for the children of key workers and vulnerable pupils and these will remain our priority
- Reopening for limited year groups and keeping class sizes small
- Phasing the return for different groups over time
- Staggering the school day including start times, break times and pick up time
- Increased cleaning of the school every day
- Our immediate priority is the children of key workers and those who are vulnerable. *If* circumstances allow, we will then look to Reception, Year 1 and Year 5. We *may* extend this to Year 6 in the longer term as an opportunity for them to say 'good-bye' as they move on to secondary school. **This will definitely not be on 1st June.**

Millfield has a high number of vulnerable children and those of key workers, who have been attending for a number of weeks. There has been recent increased demand from this priority group and we have 2 new groups due to start over the next few weeks- this is because the Government has recently changed its advice on who can return to work. **Because these increased numbers are from the priority group this is where we must focus our planning, resources and provision in the first instance.** It *may* be that, over time, we can extend our provision to children in the other year groups mentioned above.

It is your choice to send your child back to school. If you are worried about the risk to them in school, you can keep them at home and we will provide lessons for them through our virtual school. Cambridgeshire County Council will not issue any fines for non-attendance during this period.

If your child is clinically extremely vulnerable, or living with someone in this group, they should not come back to school yet and should continue home learning.

If your child is clinically vulnerable (but not clinically extremely vulnerable), you should follow medical advice about coming back to school.

If you or anyone living at home shows any symptoms, you should self isolate for at least 14 days. Your child should not come back into school.

Please email Mrs Bidecant in the school office by the end of Monday May 25th if:

- you think your child is in the priority group (keyworker/vulnerable pupils) and you would like a school place or
- your child is already attending as a priority pupil and you want to change the days they attend.

We will be in touch again very soon.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "D M Hannaford". The signature is written in a cursive style and is underlined.

Mrs D. M. Hannaford
Principal