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Dear Parents and Carers

Returning to school.

We look forward on Monday 8th June to welcome back those Year 6 who have informed us of their possible return using the online survey form. If your child is in Year 6 and you have not let us know that they will be returning please do not turn up on Monday as arrangements have not been made for your child. You will need to contact the school office and inform us when you would hope that your child could return to school.

I have prepared a video to inform all parents and children about returning to school, the video can be viewed by clicking on this link. http://www.somerville.wirral.sch.uk/news/phased-return-of-children-to-school-and-presentation/54094 Please take a look before your child returns to school.

Parents of children in Foundation 1, Foundation 2, Year 1 who filled in the survey which was available up till this week, you do not need to do anything further, your request for your child to return or stay at home has been planned for. If you stated that your child will be returning to school, the staff have been preparing the classroom ready for their return when we feel that it is safe to do so. We will be in touch with you shortly about the date once our next phase of returning Year 6 safely to school is underway. We can't thank you enough for your patience, rest assured that we are putting the safety of your children, families and our staff first.

Other year groups will return to school when the government announce their plans with regard to these year groups.

Follow the guidance.

As we prepare for the returning of more children to both schools, please ensure that you remember to continue to follow the guidelines in your own household and socially distance from other people. Any family who does not follow the guidelines will not be allowed to return to school until 14 days after resuming to follow the current guidance. Many lives have been lost in this crisis and we want to do our utmost to protect Somerville families from such loss and grief.





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Childcare provision.

Children in the childcare will need to be dropped off and picked up from the Poulton Rd Gate adjacent to the school hall from Monday 8th June. This is to ensure that the Year 6 groups and other groups when they return do not mix with any children arriving for childcare. During dropping off and collecting please remember to stay socially distant from other adults and children. Please drop your child off at 8.45am unless you are a key worker needing to leave for work earlier. Collection time is 3.20pm at the latest unless you are a front line key worker and have after school care. Any late collections after 3.20pm will incur charges for the after school club provision. Anyone using the after school provision will be asked to pay from Monday 8th June through parent pay.

Please continue to provide your child with a packed lunch, due to the variation in days it would be difficult for the kitchen staff to order and prepare lunches in advance of each day for the childcare at the moment.

Year 6 children with siblings in the childcare will need to continue in the childcare provision for now to reduce any risk of transmission between two sets of bubbles. We will be reviewing this in the first few weeks and will let you know if this is to change moving forward.

Additions to the Behaviour Policy.

There are now two new amendments to the behaviour policy which have been agreed by the governing body. One of which is the new home school agreement. Children and parents returning their children to school and those in the childcare who of the age and ability to understand the agreement will be asked to sign these agreements from next week. Please sign and return these as soon as possible if your child is in school.



Somerville Behaviour Policy Appendix Covic

Secondly a tiered response approach will be applied to any child who does not follow the rules in the agreement this is attached to this letter for you to look over.



Working from home.

Please continue to utilise the online learning that has been made available to you as well as the working from home webpage on our school website. Don't forget that you can contact your child's year group teachers by email, for example: year1@somerville.wirral.sch.uk Foundation 2 is F2year@somerville.wirral.sch.uk this is the only one that differs slightly in format.

Free School Meal Vouchers.

Vouchers continue to be issued to parents of those children who are eligible for free school meals. However if your child returns to school, for instance some of the Year 6 children from 8th June, FSM vouchers will no longer be issued as your child will receive a school packed lunch.

Contacting the school.

As we widen the opening of the school to more children office staff will be working in the school office to answer the telephone and respond to or forward emails. Please do not visit the school office unless you have a prior appointment. No visitors will be allowed in the school. Emails can be sent to the schooloffice@somerville.wirral.sch.uk and the school office number is 0151 638 5074. Only in exceptional circumstances should you visit the school office.

Look after yourselves and your family!

With regards and best wishes to you all,

Mr M J Forber

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