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Thursday 4th June 2020

Dear Parents/ Carers of Year 1,

Following our previous correspondence regarding the reopening of schools we would like to share with you the specific details for the return of your child to school. Please read this information alongside the letter we issued on Wednesday 27th May as well as our Questions and Answer sheet which is also attached.

After successfully welcoming back our year 6 pupils at Christ Church and St Mary Magdalene Woolwich this week we are pleased to confirm that we will open on **Tuesday 9th June for Year 1**. We have reviewed our practices and have put into place what has been learnt with this cohort of pupils ready for the next phase of reopening.

It is extremely important to remember that no child displaying symptoms of the virus (or who is living with a member of the household who is displaying symptoms) should be sent to school.

The chart below outlines specific guidance for you and your child regarding their phased return:

	GUIDELINES THAT NEED TO BE FOLLOWED
YOUR CHILD SHOULD ARRIVE AT SCHOOL AT 9.00 am (Please ensure you arrive as near to this time as possible. We understand that if you and your child use public transport it may be more challenging, but if you walk to school then please do not arrive at school earlier. We do not want children / families waiting outside the school gates.)	Drop your child off at the Charles Ginling Walk entrance. There are 2 metre spaced markings on the pavement to support social distancing – please use these. Children will be greeted by members of staff at the gate. Their Year 1 ‘bubble’ teacher will be waiting for them on the Muga pitch. The bell will ring at 9.05 am and all groups will be led to their classrooms. This will be staggered to allow for social distancing. Parents / Carers will not be allowed onto the school grounds or into the school office.
YOUR CHILD WILL BE TAUGHT IN A ‘BUBBLE’ OF NO MORE THAN 15 CHILDREN AND WITH AT LEAST 2 ADULTS	The children will find out who their teacher will be on Tuesday 9 th June. There will be up to 4 Year 1 bubbles of no more than 15 children. The Year 1 bubble classes will be on the 1 st floor. Once the children are in a bubble, they will stay in that bubble for the rest of the term unless Government guidance changes.
OUTDOOR TIME	Your child’s bubble will be allocated specific times and areas to spend outside. Please be mindful of the hot weather and ensure your child comes to school with a hat and a full water bottle and is wearing sun screen.
LUNCHTIMES	As usual, your child is entitled to a free school dinner. If you prefer, they can bring a packed lunch to school but please note these will be stored in the classroom where your child will be taught. Lunchtimes will be staggered and your child will not be able to sit or play with children from other bubbles.

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WHAT TO BRING TO SCHOOL	Children should not bring anything to school except for a water bottle and a hat. They will also need to bring a packed lunch if they are not having a school dinner. They do not need a school bag.
SCHOOL UNIFORM	Please send your child to school wearing their school uniform or clothes that are as close to this as possible and practical. They need sensible practical shoes as they will not be getting changed for PE. If you are having trouble finding uniform that still fits your child, please contact our Home School Link Worker who may be able to help. We would recommend washing clothing worn to school every day where possible.

<p>YOUR CHILD WILL LEAVE SCHOOL AT 2.45 PM EXCEPT FOR FRIDAY WHICH WILL BE AT 12.45 PM</p> <p>Regular cleaning of rooms and resources will take place throughout the day and after school. The school is closing early on a Friday to ensure that there is an enhanced clean before the next week.</p>	<p>Children will be dismissed from the Charles Grinling Walk gates. They will line up in the Muga pitch with their teachers and will be dismissed one at a time. Please be patient as dismissal will take longer than usual. If you are collecting your child, please wait on the pavement using the social distancing markings on Charles Grinling Walk (no parent/carer should enter the school grounds). Thank you for your cooperation.</p>
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You may like to watch the following video with your child to help answer any questions they may have about returning to school:

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/av/education-52842040/coronavirus-we-answer-kids-questions-about-going-back-to-school>

We look forward to welcoming your child back to school on Tuesday 9th June at 9 am, however, if you feel uncomfortable about this please be assured it is your choice as to whether you send your child. **There will be no penalties issued if you choose to keep your child at home during this Summer term.**

We do hope you have a good weekend.

With best wishes,

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