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Dear Parents and Carers,

Re. Key Worker / Vulnerable Child Provision at St. Peter's from Monday 8th June 2020

I hope you and yours are staying safe and well.

From Monday 8th June, St. Peter's will be open for some Year 6 children, key worker children and vulnerable children.

I want to make it very clear to you, as I hope I have through this whole time, that by reopening I am not saying to you that it is completely safe to do so. Or that school will be anything like it was previously. It will be absolutely your choice as to whether you want your child to return to St. Peter's – we will continue to provide the same work for the children whether they are learning in school or at home.

If they are to return to school for key worker childcare or because they are a vulnerable child, there are several key things that need to be understood and agreed to by you:

Classroom 'bubbles' and the school day:

- My child will be in a class keyworker/vulnerable child 'bubble' of no more than 10 children plus school staff. This bubble will be kept very static to the end of term, with minimal changes to pupils and staff.
- This bubble will have a more structured school day than the children have been used to at Palm Bay for the past two months.
- My child may not be with their normal class teacher or in their normal classroom.
- Staff will not be able to maintain social distancing between children within each bubble.
- School will be cleaned once a day as it always is.
- Start times and finish times will be **9am to 3pm**. I must bring them to school and pick them up from school.
- My child will wear **SCHOOL UNIFORM** each day.

Illness:

- If my child shows any symptoms of COVID-19 at home, I will book a test as quickly as possible and will inform the school of the results immediately.
- I understand that if my child shows COVID-19 symptoms at school, I will be contacted and must collect them immediately. I must then book a test as quickly as possible and inform the school.
- If the test is positive, the entire bubble will be sent home from school and asked to self-isolate 14 days.
- I will ensure that outside of school my family and I strictly adhere to government guidelines regarding social distancing and reducing the risk of transmitting COVID-19.

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.
John 3v16



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- If my child is ill with non-related symptoms, they simply return to school into their bubble once they are better, in line with usual sickness guidance.

Lunchtime arrangements and Free School Meals:

- My child will eat lunch in their bubble with their peers and teacher.
- A packed lunch will need to be provided.
- For Free School Meal families - under new government guidelines, I understand that by sending my child into school, they will receive a school packed lunch and their Edenred weekly voucher will stop (FSM families who do not send their child in will still receive their weekly voucher).

Liability:

- I understand that the school will do everything they can to ensure excellent standards of hygiene, regular handwashing and maintaining of social distancing. However, I do understand that within their bubbles, social distancing may not always be adhered to.

YOU WILL BE ASKED TO AGREE TO ALL THESE AREAS IN THE KEYWORKER QUESTIONNAIRE GOING OUT WITH THIS LETTER. FOR VULNERABLE CHILDREN, PARENTS WILL BE CONTACTED SEPERATELY.

New school office arrangements:

The preferred method of contacting the school remains via email, as this can be forwarded straight to the right member of staff. Alternatively, you can phone the school office during the revised office hours of 8.45am to 3.15pm.

Please also note that social distancing will be in place at the school reception area, where there will now be signs indicating that only one person may stand in the reception area to talk to office staff. **Please only come to the office in an emergency.**

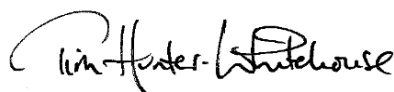
Booking system after this week:

This week, your Keyworker questionnaire will count as your booking in for week commencing 8th June.

After this, there will be a booking system for keyworker families, to book their children in on the days when childcare is needed. Details of this will be emailed to you in the first week back (w/b Monday 8th June), so that you can book the days you need via the School Gateway system, from Monday 15th June weekly until the end of term – this is the same process as booking breakfast club or extended day, for those who have used this system.

I look forward to seeing these children soon.

Stay safe,



Tim Hunter-Whitehouse