



29th MAY 2020: COVID 19 UPDATE and return to school plans from Mrs Eveleigh

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have continued to work hard following guidance and advice from the Government, Local Authority (LA), Unions and the Department for Education (DfE) to prepare both our schools for wider opening next week and beyond.

I am delighted to be able to tell you that we are aiming to do this from **Thursday 4th June** for **some** year groups in both schools. **Our combined key worker and vulnerable group that have been attending Webber's should continue to do so from Monday 1st June, and book through the normal process.**

At the end of this document I have produced a **draft** planned **timeline** for the phased reintroduction of children back to school. This will give you details of when you can expect your child to be able to return to school. This will give us a chance to see what further adjustments may need to be made, if any. We are finalising plans for the return of all year groups to have at least some time back in school before the summer holidays. We are fortunate that all our year groups fall within the maximum group size, and indeed many are much smaller.

Some year groups returning later this term, 1st July onwards, may find that they will be taught in our sister school, this is because of the current maximum numbers of children allowed by Government, and the teaching spaces we are able to provide. Reception, Year One and Year Six will be taught in their own school.

For those children who are not in school, it is expected that they will fully engage in the home learning process which remains as we have done so over the last 9 weeks. We will continue to plan and respond to work for children not only in school, but also at home.

A key change is the time and the way children will need to be dropped off and collected from school. This is to support the social distancing policy and you will see 'BOB the BOX' signs to help you. Please see the **Start and End of School Day** - (Blue for Webber's, Green for Burlescombe) to enable you to help us, help you. There are time slots for your arrival times to enable us to get children to wash their hands and help with social distancing compliance. Please wait with your child until told otherwise, thank you. There are also staggered pick up times. Please see your relevant box.

We have made many changes in school; classroom layout, how the school day will be run, and the way children will be taught. In order to help you understand the changes, I have drafted a frequently asked questions (**FAQ**) page to help you and the children understand what we have done.

It is not quite as quickly as we had hoped, but there are many checks and changes to procedures that have had to be made and the safety of children and staff are paramount.

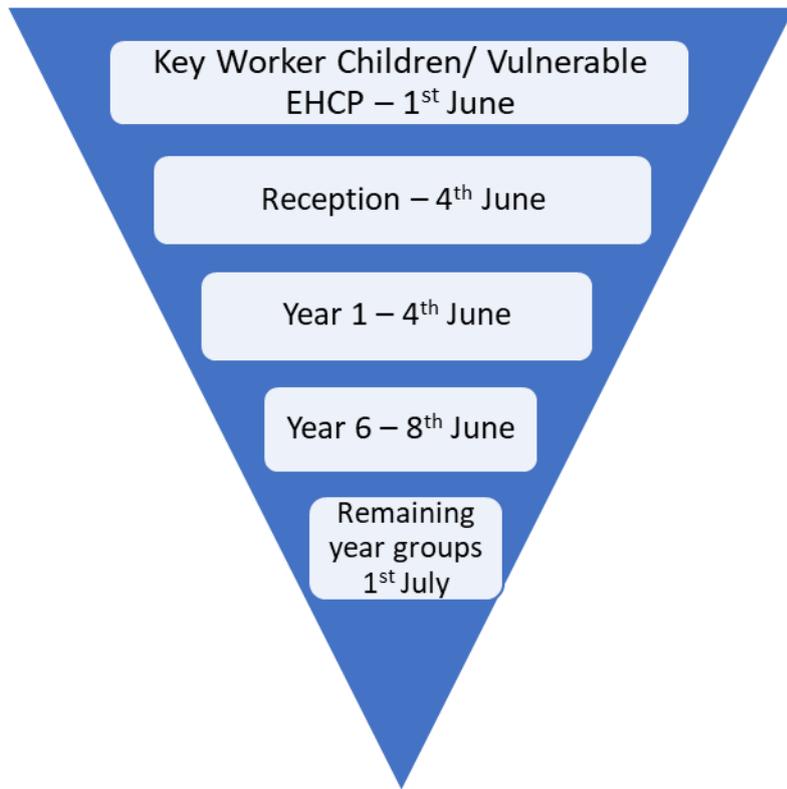
In the meantime, please enjoy the weekend and above all, keep safe and we will see you all soon 😊

Kindest regards

Deborah Eveleigh



Anticipated Timeline for return to school- both schools



START and END of school day procedures

Please park respectfully if you are driving. If you are cycling/walking please stick to the time slots and park your bicycle/scooter in our racks. Please can we ask that you social distance immediately on leaving the vehicle/leaving the house.

Messages to school staff need to be via email/telephone or by posting us a note in our new, red, letter boxes - hopefully, they will arrive! You will also need to put in the letter box any lunch payment - this must be in a **sealed, named** envelope, and **can only be a cheque** payable to Devon County Council. As always, payment needs to be in advance (hot lunches cost £2.30 per day, £11.50 per week). The menu will be limited and we will advise you as best we can. Ring the office if your child needs medication.

Time slots to arrive /pick up

Times below are based on the surname of your child and are in alphabetical order groups. Groups size has been determined by the popularity of letter of the alphabet. Please note if your child is attending the sister school you should familiarize yourself with their arrangements and arrival/pick up times. If you are unsure, please email. Key workers please see the blue box overleaf.

Arrivals	8:30	8:40	8:50	9:00	9:10	9:20
Webber's	A/B	C/D/E/F	G/H/I/J/K	L/M/N	O/P/Q/R	S/T/U/V/W/X/Y/Z
Burlescombe		A/B	C/D/E	F/G/H	I/J/K/L/M/N /O/P/Q/R	S/T/U/V/W/X/Y/Z
Pick -Up	2:40	2:50	3pm	3:10	3:20	3:30
Webber's	A-B	C/D/E/F	G/H/I/J/K	L/M/N	O/P/Q/R	S/T/U/V/W/X/Y/Z
Burlescombe		A/B	C/D/E	F/G/H	I/J/K/L/L/M/N /O/P/Q/R	S/T/U/V/W/X/Y/Z



START and end of school day procedures contd

All KEY & Vulnerable workers only ONE PARENT/CARER please

Please arrive at your usual time through the SIDE GATE and wait on the YELLOW grid BOXES outside the office window so that the office staff can see you- your child will have priority access.

Other children Arrive at WPS at your allocated time: Remember social distancing please. ONE PARENT/CARER please

Use SIDE GATE entrance, follow markers to lower playground. Wait on an empty marker please, your child will be invited in. We ask you to leave promptly please. Leave via the STEPS (where possible) and you are welcome to use the hand sanitiser station. Please do not congregate outside the school gates/pavement – social distance is important and keeping a free and easy access pathway.

Collection of children:

Arrive via the SIDE GATE at your allocated time, wait on an empty marker in the lower playground wave at the office staff as you go past 😊. We will deliver your child to you. We ask you to leave promptly please via STEPS (where possible) and you are welcome to use the hand sanitiser station. Please do not congregate outside the school gates/pavement – social distance is important and keeping a free and easy access pathway. Thank you 😊

Please note adults are to remain outside the school buildings - the office will not available.

Arrive at BPS at your allocated time: Remember social distancing. ONE PARENT/CARER please

Use LEFT SIDE of main entrance, follow markers to top end of playground. Wait on an empty marker. Your child will be invited in. We ask you to leave promptly please. On your exit of the school gate please **KEEP LEFT**. Please do not congregate outside the school gates/pavement – social distance is important and keeping a free and easy access pathway. You are welcome to use the sanitiser station.

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Frequently asked questions-applies to both schools

Why should more children attend school?



It is good for children's mental wellbeing.



School is the best place for them to learn.



It is good for children to socialise with other

What might change at school?



The time you drop off and pick up your child. Only one parent/carer should attend.



They will not have their normal lessons.



Your child may have a different classroom and a different teacher.



We will change how we serve lunch.

Will my child be tested?



If your child shows symptoms of Covid-19, yes, they will be able to be tested.

Does my child need to wear school uniform?

No-but please ensure your child wears a clean set of clothes daily as close to school uniform as possible. Trainers can be worn. PE will be done in these clothes - so be practical and comfortable please! Sun hat, lotion, water bottles, reading book and diary as usual. We will go out in the rain - have your own coat - we CANNOT provide spare coats OR clothes.

How are you making sure school is safe?



We will check for risks before school opens.



If a child or family member is sick, they cannot come to school.



There will be fewer children in a classroom.



Everyone will wash their hands regularly.



School will be cleaned regularly.

Does my child have to come to school?



If your child is well and in one of the groups asked to attend, then they should.



There will be no fines if you decide you do not want your child to go to school.

What if there is a case of Covid-19 at school?



14 days

If anyone at school tests positive, the whole class must self-isolate for 14 days.



14 days

The people they live with must self-isolate for 14 days.



7 days

If you think you have symptoms, self-isolate for 7 days.

PLEASE...

Do not bring in:

Pencil cases

Toys

Face masks

Hand sanitiser

Bring in:

Water bottles, reading book, reading diary, sunhat, coat, sun-lotion