



Headteacher  
Mr N. B. Payling  
Assistant Headteacher  
Mrs E. Ramsdale

North Yorkshire County Council

## Cawood Church of England Voluntary Aided Primary School

Broad Lane, Cawood, Selby, YO8 3SQ

Telephone 01757 268368  
Email [admin@cawood.n-yorks.sch.uk](mailto:admin@cawood.n-yorks.sch.uk)  
Website [www.cawoodprimary.co.uk](http://www.cawoodprimary.co.uk)



Thursday July 9<sup>th</sup>

Dear Parents and Carers,

### July update

We are now into our final two weeks of the academic year and I thought it would be good to provide some of the latest information received from the local and national government.

Thank you for your support over the past few weeks as we welcomed more children back into school in year Reception, Year 1 and Year 6. This week the year 6 children are coming into school for 3 days and four days in the final week of term. The setting up of the care centre and the different Bubbles in school has presented a number of complex problems and circumstances to work through in following the government's advice and keeping to our stringent safety measures. Throughout this period of school closure staff have worked incredibly hard in providing learn packs, electronic packs in supporting children who have come into school and children who have been at home. Thank you for all your efforts in supporting your child at home and in their academic work.

The end of the year is always filled with emotion as we start to think about our year 6 children leaving and moving on to high school. It is with great regret that I have to inform you that we are not able to host any end of term events such as disco or party celebration. We will however be having a very safe and socially distanced worship for the year 6 children (only) on the final day and we are working on recording through a live link to the event. The end of term worship will start at 9.30am on Friday July 17<sup>th</sup>. Children and staff will be in a well ventilated hall and at will keep to at a least 2 metre distance. We'll set up a zoom meeting link for anyone who would like to see the event taking place.

### School closure for the Summer holiday

Last week the Government confirmed that schools will not be expected to make provision over the school holidays. This will allow staff to have a break and to put arrangements in place for September.

**The school will close for the end of the Summer term on Friday July 17<sup>th</sup> This means that the school will be closed for all children, including the children of key workers.**



Professional Development  
Accredited Lead

National Centre  
for Excellence in the  
Teaching of Mathematics



## Arrangements for widening access to schools in the next academic year

I am sure you will have seen that the government has now released guidance regarding school reopening for September.

**As it currently stands, the school is set to reopen for all the year groups on Tuesday September 8<sup>th</sup>.**

**Staff will return to school for a training day on Monday September 7<sup>th</sup>.**

Our plans for September are guided by the government's advice and based on the assumption that infection rate, shielding and social distancing will all continue to show improvement through the summer. The situation may change and we may have to modify our plans for September or make much bigger changes. Based on the current advice, we have already commenced work considering the risk assessment and planning the Class Bubbles. Class teachers will share the full details with you in August to make sure that we have considered any further guidelines and directives and to make sure that we pass this information on to you in a clear and timely way.

**A brief summary of some of the key points from the guidance and what this means for us at Cawood Primary.** (key intentions within the DfE plan)

It is intended that all children in all year groups should and will be expected to return to school in September. Please be aware that the Nursery and Reception children, as is normally the case, will have their own transition arrangements into school. Please keep a look out for these and contact the school if you are unsure about any of the arrangements.

From September, the children will be arranged into 'protective bubbles' as they are now; but the difference is that the Bubbles are not restricted to 15 children and can encompass the whole class. From September, these will be known as Class Bubbles.

Within the Class Bubbles, the intention is that teaching and learning can become more *normal*, school life can resume and the 'bubble rules' have changed and are somewhat different to those currently in place. For example, staff will be allowed to change bubbles to facilitate learning but movement around school will be kept to a minimum. Children will, for the most part, stay in their Class Bubble and will not move groups for phonics (*Read Write Inc.*) or maths (*Maths No Problem*). Movement around school and between Bubbles will be discouraged and kept to an absolute minimum.

The Class Bubbles will have staggered break and lunchtimes and staggered starts and ends to the day, to minimise numbers of parents and children in any one place.

Social distancing will continue to be in place in September following the latest government guidelines. Staff will social distance at 2 metres but one metre where 2 metres is not possible. Children will be encouraged to social distance but it is recognised that this will not be possible in classes with more than 15 children.

### The curriculum.

The intention is that we will follow the national curriculum and this will be broad and balanced in covering all the curriculum areas. This includes PE and sports. Club Doncaster and peripatetic staff will be allowed to come into school to deliver lessons.



Professional Development  
Accredited Lead

National Centre  
for Excellence in the  
Teaching of Mathematics



## **Staggered times of the day.**

We will vary the start and finish times of the day and it is likely that these will be different for each class. Also, it is likely that we will use different entrances into school to minimize, wherever possible, any groups of parents and children having to come together in any one place.

## **Changes for out of school child care settings**

When the school closes on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July at the end of the Summer term, children of all ages may attend out-of-school settings (childcare settings). However, parents and carers need to be aware of any additional risks that may relate to the different ages of children, and the mixing of outside settings.

It is crucial that we continue to ensure that we are minimising any risks to our children, staff and the wider community. Therefore, parents and carers are being encouraged to limit the number of settings their children attend as far as possible, and ideally to ensure their children attend the same setting consistently.

We are therefore recommending that, from September, children will only attend one setting. However, following the government's advice, children who attend a different setting may also come into school, only where this is absolutely essential and there is no other possible arrangement. For example, only where this is essential and as a last resort, children can be brought into school by a child minder and children can attend before and after school clubs and also come into school. I do need to stress that this is following the latest government advice at the time of writing and this could change if the infection rate rises over the month of August and/or there is a recognised spike in the local area.

## **Dedicated transport for Cawood School**

Transport should be running as usual from September. Children should be seated at a social distance and they may be required to wear a face mask whilst on the mini bus.

Please avoid the use of cars where you can and please walk or cycle to school.

## **If your child is not well in September or shows symptoms of the virus.**

The current healthcare measures will remain in place with regard to children or staff who show symptoms of the virus.

As a brief reminder:

If anyone in the school becomes unwell with a new, continuous cough or a high temperature, or has a loss of, or change in, their normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia), they must be sent home and advised to follow '[stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus \(COVID-19\) infection](#)', which sets out that they must self-isolate for at least 7 days and should [arrange to have a test](#) to see if they have coronavirus (COVID-19). Other members of their household (including any siblings) should self-isolate for 14 days from when the symptomatic person first had symptoms.

You will be contacted as soon as your child is seen to be unwell and they will be looked after in the quiet and isolated area of the library until you are able to come into school to see your child.



Professional Development  
Accredited Lead

National Centre  
for Excellence in the  
Teaching of Mathematics



## School uniform

In July and in September, there is an expectation that school uniform will be worn as normal.

There is much to consider and further government updated guidelines to take into consideration as we prepare for September. I would ask that you continue to be patient and bear with us as we remodel the school for September putting into place all the suggested safety measures to reduce the risk of infection as much as we can to the very lowest level.

As with the wider access in June, I would ask parents and carers to please contact school directly if you are unsure about any of the arrangements for September. Each Class Bubble will send out a separate letter informing you of their arrangements in starting the new term and to let you know about more precise details such as the start and end of the day, lunches, reading folders, drink bottles etc. Please watch out for information through our usual email and texting service. If you are not receiving text and/or email then please ring the school to make sure that we have your correct and up to date contact details.

Please remember that it will be the best part of two months until this advice comes into place and that some, if not all of the guidance might change during that period. We will release more details closer to the school opening in September. Perhaps it goes without saying that we are desperate to return to normality and we will be overjoyed to see all the children again. We will be so happy to welcome all the children at the start a new academic year.

## 'Catch-up' funding

You will be aware that the government has promised school *catch up funding*. I am still awaiting further information and guidance on how we can access the funding. However, we are already looking at early assessment activities, how we can support children coming back into school after a substantial break, and how we can personalise learning so that we can bring every child back on track as soon as possible. At the same time, through our emailing support and tapestry, we know that some children have done some absolutely amazing things during the period of school closure and we are really looking forward to catching up with everybody.

## Assessments and Sats tests

This year there will be no Sats tests or Sats results. Staff have made end of year assessments based on the children's attainment and progress over the Autumn and Spring terms and this information will be passed on to the new teacher for September.

## Reports

Reports will be sent home with the children who are in school at the moment. Please could you collect your child's report from the main entrance from Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July. They should be available during Monday morning. Please remember to social distance when coming to collect your child's report. Please note that this year there will not be any attendance data included as part of the report and there will be notification of your child's new teacher in September in with the report. Please ring the school if you wish to speak with the class teacher about the end of year report and there will also be an opportunity in September to discuss anything further with your child's new teacher.

Very best wishes



N. B. Payling (Headteacher)

