

Why have you chosen these year groups?

The government have chosen these year groups.

How will the groups be organised?

We will organise the children into ‘bubbles’. The government have said bubbles should be about 15. At Jeavons Wood we have decided our bubbles will be smaller, dependant on numbers returning.

Why are you saying my child might not have their normal class Teacher?

Teachers are good but they cannot be in two places at once! Each bubble will have a Teacher and a teaching assistant with them.

What about my child? They are in a year group not invited back at present?

The School will continue to provide learning for the children at home. Parents though need to be aware that their child’s class Teacher could now be teaching a bubble group during the day as well.

How will you stop Parents congregating at the School gate, classroom door etc?

We will ask Parents to drop off their child from the three different entry points to the School. This is where Jeavons Wood definitely has an advantage over some Schools! Foundation will use the usual entrance and drop off at the normal gate, Year One will use the main entrance and drop off at their child’s new classroom bubble group and Year Six will be encouraged to walk or cycle to School and use the gate nearest to the Year Six classrooms.

Key Worker children etc will start to use the same gate as Year Six.

All Parents will be asked and reminded to stay at least 2m apart from each other and not to linger. There will be spots out to help you!

Parents will not be allowed to talk to Teachers on the door as usual because of social distancing requirements.

The start times and end times will also be staggered for each year group/bubble. There will be more information about this on Friday.

If I can’t talk to the bubble group Teacher on a morning or at pick up when can I communicate with them?

The bubble group leader Teacher will communicate with you via email and telephone as needed.

You can contact them through the usual channels.

What about if I decide not to send my child back to School and they are in one of the invited back year groups?

You will not be fined if you choose not to send your child back to School.

Home learning will still be provided.

Your child will not lose their School place.

I have a child in Foundation and Year One and can’t be in two places either!

We quite agree and luckily that is not too many of you! We will work with these Parents to make drop off and pick up work smoothly.

I am worried if my Year Six child comes alone to School they will meet up with their friends and undo all your bubble work!

I must admit we are worried about this too! We will talk to our Year Sixes and you know your child.

If you are worried they will meet up then we ask you to bring them to a place near the School and watch them come in.

If they can cycle or walk while keeping a distance of 2m they are allowed to come with one other child, although it must be someone from their bubble.

I am so unsure. What if I change my mind and want to send them back?

We appreciate a lot of our Parents are still unsure and would like more time to make a decision.

There will be a chance, around about the beginning of July, for you to change your mind and choose to send them back.

We will still be providing home learning for all children.

We need to keep the bubbles with the same children so cannot have children changing.

Why do the children in the bubble have to stay the same? Why can't they mix with other bubbles?

Although the risk of an outbreak is low there is still a risk. If a child or adult in one bubble caught the virus then the children and adults in that bubble would have to isolate – see Parent leaflet for more information.

If we mixed the bubbles in any way then all the bubbles would have to isolate potentially closing the whole School.

How can you social distance with young children? Surely it's impossible?

While we cannot guarantee that it will be total social distancing, children are children, we will follow the model that has worked very well for us with our Key Worker provision.

Won't this frighten the children?

We have found the children, of all ages, have responded well to the measures in place.

They have become used to going out with you and keeping a social distance.

The seating areas are spread out 2m apart and each child has some equipment that is their own for their time in School.

Anything that is shared e.g. an ipad is cleaned appropriately after use.

Children will be washing hands a lot, but we were already doing that before we broke up and I am sure you have been doing the same at home.

We have seen worrying pictures in the press of chalk circles and children being sprayed with disinfectant. Can you guarantee this will not happen?

With children we will be encouraging normal hygiene procedures but more frequently e.g. handwashing. We will not be spraying them with disinfectant.

We will be social distancing as much as possible but will make it fun for the children outside as part of a game etc.

What if my child is upset? Will the Teacher still comfort them?

All our Teachers are kind and caring. They would not work at Jeavons if this was not the case!

We think the smaller bubble size will ensure the children receive the nurture that is so much part of our School as well as the learning.

What if my child wets themselves or hurts themselves?

No staff at Jeavons would ever leave a child in distress but you would be surprised how independent children quickly become in School when changing themselves. If a child needed help, we would provide it. You would be called in the usual way if needed.

Why can't you guarantee my child will have their friends in their bubble?

First of all, their friends might not be returning!

If their friends are returning, their Teachers will do their very best to ensure that friends are together although this cannot be guaranteed. Just like classes, you might want your child to be with another while the other Parent wants the opposite. We will do our best.

Why will some children be with their Teacher but others won't?

Due to the bubbles a Teacher can only teach one bubble. They are not allowed to move between bubbles. Some bubbles might have two Teachers attached to them, but those two Teachers will not mix with any other bubbles and will just stay with that one.

My child is a Key Worker/vulnerable child and has been attending School but is in one of the year groups attending. Will they leave the Key Worker group and join their classmates or stay in the Key Worker group?

Ideally, they will now join their year group. However, if you need the provision of the group all day then they will have to stay in the Key Worker group, as once we are back with more children, this group cannot mix with other bubbles.

We will liaise directly with the Parents this affects so don't worry.

My child is not in the year groups returning to School but both Parents are Key Workers. We have juggled until now but really need to work more. Can you help?

If both Parents are Key Workers, then please contact the office with proof of Key Worker status and we will be happy to offer your child a place in our Key Worker group. I have to be honest with you that this group will be mixed ages and not like the bubbles set up in the other year groups. It will be impossible to provide the same level of education to this group, although as we always do, we will make an enjoyable learning experience for the children.

What about the staff who are shielding or who have underlying health problems? We are worried about them.

Your care and concern for staff came through in many of the replies and I thank you for that.

Any staff member who is shielding or who lives with someone who is, will remain working from home, planning for the other year groups etc.

Some staff members will be working in School, but office based, so that they are as socially distanced as possible from everybody.

This is another reason why your child's class Teacher might not be with them in their bubble.

Staff working in bubbles will have training to ensure they keep themselves as safe as possible.

There have been strict guidelines in place for the Key Worker group which have worked well.

I need to go to work but my child is not in the year group invited back. Why can't they come to School?

Only the children in Pre-School, Foundation, Year One and Year Six can come to School. As they will be spread out in smaller bubbles there is no room for the other children yet, even in a School as big as ours!

It is also important that the return to School is phased to make it as safe as possible for all.

If the infection rate keeps falling and all the other Key indicators are met, then it is possible that your child might get some time in School before the end of term.

We will be in touch later in June if this is the case.

My child is in Year Six – Will they get to have their usual assembly, play, party etc?

Year Six will be organised into bubble groups of 8 –10 children. The bubble groups cannot mix.

Even if we had 15 in a group, they would still not be allowed to mix which means assemblies etc cannot happen at the moment. There are also a lot of Year Six's whose Parents have chosen to keep them at home, who would miss out if we did things in small groups.

Even if all restrictions are lifted for children before the end of term, they are unlikely to be for Parents and we feel the assembly would not be the same without you all watching!

We have liaised with Cambourne Village College and there is an agreement that when restrictions are lifted we will invite the children back for their party and for their assembly.

Cambourne Village College are also looking at how they can make transition work under the new guidelines and will be liaising with you and us as we go forward.

Can I drop things off at the office?

*The office will be **closed** to all adults.*

The post box in the lobby will be open for Parents to drop forms in etc when they go out for exercise.

The telephone will be manned during School hours only. As there will only be one person in the office, I would ask that you email if it is not urgent.

I am worried about visitors to the site.

All visitors to the site will be restricted. The only people allowed on site will be staff and people who have to carry out emergency repairs/health and safety requirements etc. They will not mix with the children.

One of my children is coming back to their year group but the other is in a year group not invited back yet. Can they attend the Key Worker provision?

If both Parents are Key Workers then your child in the year group not invited back yet can attend the Key Worker provision and be collected/dropped off at the same time.

My child has grown out of their uniform and needs new Schools shoes! What can they wear to School?

We will be relaxing our uniform requirements for the rest of this term. If they have grown out of uniform they can wear other suitable clothes for School. We will be outdoors a lot so trainers are fine.

What can they bring to School?

They only need to bring their lunch if required, a water bottle and a coat. If it is a sunny day then please ensure they have sun cream on and a hat. Please do not send them in with anything else.

My child has additional needs but is in the year groups invited back. How will you support this?

All our extra support cannot run at the moment e.g sensory circuits, intervention groups as the bubbles will not be able to mix and we do not have a full compliment of staff.

We will support the child within the bubble to the best of our abilities. If your child has high needs then please discuss your concerns directly with our Assistant heads for Inclusion.

Are you doing staggered starts and finishes?

Yes, we will be and will send this information and information about School times out to Parents via Parent Hub once we have numbers confirmed.

Does my child have to attend every day?

Yes, if you choose to send your child back then we expect all children to attend each day although the day will be reduced in time.

This is to stop the constant traffic of Parents up and down to the School if times were different for different children and for Teachers to be able to teach their bubble.

Why are you not doing a normal School day length?

There are a number of reasons for this. One main reason is to phase the children back in a staged way. Another Key reason is to allow Teachers to have planning time (a protected right/PPA) where other Teachers are now not allowed to cover for them in their bubbles. Teachers will also be planning for their year group and the children at home as well as communicating with Parents more through emails and phone calls. They need time to do this. If we get to a stage when we can welcome more children in other year groups back to School, it also allows us to phase up our model in this way.

Will you be offering a full curriculum?

We will continue with some Maths and English learning as well as Art and Personal Development. Outdoor learning will be used. We will do some P.E. as well. Foundation subjects could be linked in with English in the bubbles and/or continued at home. The first week back will be very phased back in and will include a lot of art type activities/Personal Development to settle the children back to more formal learning.