

27<sup>th</sup> May 2020

## **Parent Update** **Wider Reopening**

Dear Parents & Carers,

We hope that you are all safe and well. Following the Government's guidance regarding the potential wider reopening of schools, we have a further update to share, to help you plan for the weeks and months ahead. Beyond the provision of emergency childcare to the children of key workers and vulnerable pupils, wider reopening is dependent upon Government confirmation that:

- The five key tests are met
- The rate of infection continues to decrease

There will also be a further announcement tomorrow, Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> May by Government. The advice given then, in addition to more local Public Health advice, will inform our next steps. Whilst awaiting this, we have completed a thorough risk assessment process for our academy and thought carefully about how and when we could open more widely, subject to the confirmation that the above key tests have been met.

As we have operated as part of a hub since the end of March, please be aware that the first couple of weeks of wider opening may look significantly different to that of other local schools. You can be assured however, that these differences follow the outcomes of the detailed risk assessment process.

Subject to the Government announcement tomorrow and Public Health advice, we are planning to follow a step-by-step approach moving forward and as such, are in a position to offer the following provision **for the first week back** after half-term:

-Emergency childcare for the children of key workers and identified vulnerable children **at the Morley Place site**, with effect from **Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> June**. ***On this day, only those children who have previously attended the childcare hub at De Warenne Academy should attend please***

-From **Tuesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> June**, the provision will be extended to ***those children of key workers and vulnerable children, whose parents have declared their intention to take a place via the form sent out & dated 13/05/2020***

***Both of the above groups may then attend for the remainder of the week if a place is required***

-On **Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup>** and **Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> June**, in addition to the above group, we will extend the provision to include those children from **Y6, whose parents have declared their intention to take a place via the form sent out & dated 13/05/2020**

Following this first week, we will continue to review our provision and extend the offer, if and when appropriate. Early next week we will also send out more details of the year group provision and what will be available for the following week.

Can we thank you for supporting children's learning whilst at home- we've enjoyed celebrating the many great examples of their resourcefulness, creativity and dedication both on Seesaw and via our social media pages. Can we also say to those who have taken the time to contact us with thanks and support for all of the hard work that is going on, that this is warmly appreciated.

Please continue to get in touch with us should you have any issues or queries. Take care and stay safe.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P. Rust', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Mr P. Rust  
*Academy Principal*