



# Jennett's Park CE Primary School

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## Jennett's Park School for Year 2/ 3/ 4

Dear Parents and Carers of children in Year 2, 3 & 4,

Firstly to extend our good wishes to you all. We hope you are well and want to know how much we miss you.

We have received guidance from the government that we can increase our ability to help more children if we deem possible and safe. As you know wellbeing both physically and emotionally is always our highest priority.

At the moment we are offering full day sessions for 180-200 children of Key Workers and those in Nursery, Year R, Year 1 and Year 6. Guidance directs us to not have pods larger than 15. The guidance also says that we are to help any child who is vulnerable. Believe us when we say that we understand that every child is vulnerable at the moment. The government criteria is any child with a social worker or with an EHCP or in social care.

Like many schools we are very lucky to remain well staffed. At present we have 10 staff who are unable to come into school. They are working at a safe distance. Normal school life in all its intricacies is impossible with that many staff not at school.

We understand that Year 6 will remain a priority focus for the government. At Jennett's Park we have extended our next offer to Year 5 for morning sessions until the summer. Due to many nuances in the existing cover we cannot expand this to a full day, nor will it necessarily be with their class teacher, nor in their room.

We will not have capacity to help in school for Year 2/3/4 for other than those in Key worker positions before the summer. We know that this will be as disappointing to you as to us.

We do not know government plans at the time of writing this on whether we will be expected to continue adhere to the 2m distancing in September. Clearly, if it reduces we will be able to help other years at a faster pace. None of our rooms would accommodate 30 children at 1 metres apart



and so we hope to continue to the use unconventional spaces we have spilled into since wider reopening such as our hall, music room and library.

We fully understand that some children eligible in Key worker spaces will not be able to re-join us before the summer for health reasons or that you may decide it may be too stressful. Whatever you decide we will support with online Seesaw account, posted and printed booklets and emails.

Over the next few weeks your child's current class teacher will ring every parent/ carer who does this and complete with them a return to school questionnaire. We do this in an aim to help the fastest set up for September possible.

There will be an opportunity to meet new teachers but this has not been fully finalised yet. We had hoped to use the community centre for a socially distanced gathering, but have been told that this is not allowed at the moment. A real shame.

In school we will try to set up for moving children to their new locations- books, trays and all!

Thank you for your understanding in this matter. We know this decision will not please everyone but as always we aim to be transparent in our reasons and the risks involved.

If you feel you have valid reasons to be classified as vulnerable asides do contact us. We cannot accommodate everyone but are in contact with other agencies asides from education who have in some cases relieved some of the stresses this has caused for families. We will try our best.

Lastly, thank you to all of you who have been so supportive to us. It is heartening to know so many of you appreciate the zoom events, work packs, themes and seesaw. Email school@ for any details you need. We will let you know about our September plans and transition as soon as we are able to.

Yours sincerely



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