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Thursday 18th June 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are now in our third week of the new phase of schooling. This new phase has been a challenge to prepare but now that we are in a new routine, it is going smoothly.

We desperately miss the children who are at home and would love our school to be back to normal. Whilst we cannot be together, we thought you might be interested in how school is working in this new phase and how the children are coping.

The children who are attending school have settled in well and are doing their best with the guidance put in place from the Government. Whilst we have to set up our school for social distancing, we accept that some of our younger children will not always manage this. However we are very impressed with their understanding of the rules and that they are all trying their best to avoid touching and keeping two metres apart.

We currently have five bubbles, containing between 6-10 children and two adults. The start and end of each bubble's day is staggered with each bubble having 5 hours in school. The staggered start and finish times ensure that only parents/carers for the bubble are on site at any one time and therefore the ability to socially distance is much easier.

Each morning, the children come into their bubbles and start their work for the day. Each child has their own tray with their own pencil, rubber, sharpener, paper and laptop. The children then complete the work set for them on Seesaw with help from the adults in their bubble if they need any. As we have mixed age groups in each bubble, there is no whole class teaching. Younger children have a less structured day in that they are able to choose activities that are set out in the room and they are called over to an adult to do their Read, Write Inc and Maths learning.

Lunches are staggered with each bubble receiving a clean whilst the children either go outside or into the hall for a break. Children then eat lunch in the classroom.

After lunch, the children engage in some less academic learning such as art, PE and games.

We are delighted that the children who are coming to school are very happy.

Here are some comments from the children:

It's the best because the days are quick and we get to do some school learning and some of our learning.

I really enjoy having lots more outside play.

We play games together and it makes us happy, our favourite is wink murder!



When we finish our learning, we help others finish their learning.

We enjoyed having a picnic lunch outside.

I like that we have a different activity for each afternoon, our favourite is games Tuesday and film Friday.

We like having children from other year groups in our bubble.

I like that we get all our learning done in the morning and have fun in the afternoons.

We have some of our friends with us but have made new friends from other classes.

I don't want to go home because I'm having a great time!



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