



# Cottesmore St. Mary

## Catholic Primary School

THE DIOCESE OF ARUNDEL AND BRIGHTON



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5<sup>th</sup> June 2020

### Letter regarding reopening to children from Reception, Year 1 and Year 6.

Dear parents / carers

As ever, I hope that you and your families, remain well. Earlier today, I forwarded a letter from the Local Authority. I noted that, in light of its content, we would not be opening the school, other than to children of Key Workers, until Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June at the earliest. We are really hoping that we can go ahead with this date, as I am sure you are, providing that we are told it is safe to do so. As ever, we appreciate that the children are looking forward to returning to school and can only apologise for any disappointment. Guidance remains that schools must only open once they are certain that it is absolutely safe to do so and that they must do so with caution. Below are our new proposed start dates. However, as per usual, please note that our proposals may need to change as and when we receive further information.

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June - welcome back 2 of the 5 Year 6 Hubs. These two Hubs will be those lead by Ms Szeless and Miss Wilkinson. Your child's current class teacher will have already called you to inform you which Hub they will be in and to answer any of your questions. Next week, children will receive a Seesaw video of their new class base and a message from their assigned teacher.

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June - welcome the remaining 3 Year 6 hubs. These three Hubs will be those lead by Miss Waters, Mrs Elliot / Mrs Bowles and Mr Burns / Mrs Concannon. Those attending on Tuesday will not come into school on this day. Calls home and videos as per above.

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June - welcome all 5 of the Year 6 Hubs.

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June - welcome the 4 Year 1 Hubs. However this may be staggered over 2 days if take up by children increases. Continue to welcome all 5 of the Year 6 Hubs. Year 1 children's current class teacher will have already called you to inform you which Hub they will be in and to answer any of your questions. Next week, children will receive a Seesaw video of their new class base and a message from their assigned teacher.

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June - welcome the 4 Year 1 Hubs as above. However this may be staggered over 2 days if take up by children increases. Continue to welcome all 5 Year 6 Hubs.

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June - welcome the 4 Reception Hubs. However this may be staggered over 2 days if take up by children increases. Continue to welcome all 5 of the Year 6 Hubs plus all 4 of the Year 1 Hubs. Reception children's current class teacher will call you next week, to inform you which Hub they will be in and to answer any of your questions. Next week, children will receive a Seesaw video of their new class base and a message from their assigned teacher.

Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June onwards - continue to welcome all 5 of the Year 6 Hubs plus all 4 of the Year 1 Hubs and all 4 of the Reception Hubs.

We will remain open for Key Worker children from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June. Places must be booked in liaison with the school and in advance, ideally with at least a week's notice.

As ever, I want to thank you all for your patience and continued support. Your kind and supportive emails this week have been greatly appreciated by the staff team. Please continue to rest assured that we have everyone's best interests at the forefront of all that we do and please note that we want to get children back to school as soon as possible but that we can only do so when it is deemed safe to do so. We will of course continue to support them, via calls home, Home Learning Grids and Seesaw, until we are together again. As ever, I'm always here if you need any support.

Many thanks Rachel Breen, Headteacher

