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Dear Parents and carers,

Following the Government's announcement yesterday, we will reopen our school to children who are in Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 as well as children of Critical Worker and Vulnerable children **from June 1st**. **RAPS will have a gradual transition for Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 children.**

Below is the proposed plan of transition for Term 6 for these groups of children. We have spent much time planning how to return to school, considering both the physical and mental wellbeing of pupils and staff. With this in mind, a cautious and gradual return has been put in place. The very nature of a plan is that it is an outline of what may happen and it will be adjusted and changed as time goes on. Parents will be kept informed of any changes that are made as soon as possible. I also know that the proposed plan of transition will not meet everyone's needs, but we have to consider the safety and well-being of both children and staff at RAPS, and because of this, I am not in a position to consider individual cases or to alter any timings for individual parents.

Year Group	Team	Week Beginning 1/6	Week Beginning 8/6	Week Beginning 15/6	Week Beginning 22/6	Week Beginning 29/6	Week Beginning 6/7	Week Beginning 13/7	Week Beginning 20/7
EYFS/KS1 Critical Worker Children	Red Team	8.00-4.00	8.00-4.00	8.00-4.00	8.00-4.00	8.00-4.00	8.00-4.00	8.00-4.00	8.00-4.00
KS2 Critical Worker Children	Yellow Team	8.00-4.00	8.00-4.00	8.00-4.00	8.00-4.00	8.00-4.00	8.00-4.00	8.00-4.00	8.00-4.00
Reception in groups of no more than 15	Blue Team Green Team Pink Team-			8.30-11.00 or 1.00-3.30	8.30-11.00 or 1.00-3.30	8.30-11.00 or 1.00-3.30	8.30-11.00 or 1.00-3.30	8.30-11.00 or 1.00-3.30	8.30-11.00 or 1.00-3.30
Yr1 –In groups of no more than 15 children	Purple Team Orange Team Lilac Team	Starting 3/6 3 groups 9.00-12.00	3groups 9.00-12.00	3 groups 9.00-12.00	3 groups 9.00-2.00	3 groups 9.00-2.00	3 groups 9.00-2.00	3 groups 9.00-2.00	3 groups 9.00-2.00
Year 6	Violet Team		8.45-11.45	8.45-11.45	8.45-11.45	8.45-2.15	8.45-2.15	8.45-2.15	8.45-2.15

On the Monday 1st June only the children of Critical Workers and Vulnerable children will be in school, this will be followed by Year 1 from Wednesday 3rd June part-time from 9.00-12.00 and then Year 6 from Monday 8th June, again part-time, from 8.45-11.45. Reception will finally join us on Monday 15th June. (All parents from Reception, Year 1 and 6 who have indicated that their child may/will be returning to school have been sent an individual letter indicating what team, teacher, gate entrance, class room and time that you child should arrive at school.)

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As I said in my previous letter, we will continue to post our daily blogs for the rest of the school community for **Term 6**. The teachers are working hard to ensure that the activities are accessible as possible. We are totally understanding of the fact that this is in no way replicating normal school life. It is impossible to do so given the current situation and we do not expect you to battle with your children over completing everything. These are extraordinary times and there is enough pressure on parents just having everyone under the same roof! There are no ideal situations given the current climate and for most of us this feels a little like being in survival-mode each day. So please do not stress over trying to achieve the award for being the parent who has got their children to do everything, instead use our work as a guide and try and get the children to do what you can.

My staff and myself will endeavour to ensure that we stay connected as a RAPS community but please bear in mind that, as a school community, we are currently shielding nine members of staff and that all my available staff will now planning and teaching for the children who are returning to school as well as maintaining their own class blogs.

I thank you for your support and co-operation in these difficult and uncertain times.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nick Budge". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Nick Budge

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