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School Reopening

Dear Families

We hope that you are all safe and well.

Further to the letter you received last week from Steve Reddy, Director of Children's Services, I am writing to update you on the plans to reopen Liverpool's schools.

The council has been working hard alongside Head Teacher Associations and Unions to ensure that schools are opened in the safest way possible for all members of our school community.

As many of you know, our school has operated successfully as Safe Space Hub for the past 9 weeks, providing vital emergency childcare for the children of key workers and vulnerable pupils. This included provision throughout the Easter Holidays and Bank Holidays. The Hub will close on Friday 22nd May for half-term. **I am pleased to inform you that school will then reopen on Monday 1st June.**

Liverpool City Council has wisely decided to reopen schools in a phased and carefully monitored way. **Therefore, in the first phase school will only reopen to the children of key workers and to vulnerable pupils.** *So children who currently attend the Hub, are able to attend school as normal from 1st June.* If you identify yourself as a key worker, and you also wish for your child to return to school, please contact the school office as soon as possible.

The situation is constantly under review and we hope to be able to gradually open up to more pupils in a carefully phased way, ensuring that school is as safe as possible for children, staff and parents.

We are currently working very hard to prepare the school site for the return of our wonderful children, who have been missed tremendously by us all. Their safety is our main priority and your patience and support during these challenging times has been greatly appreciated.

All necessary risk assessments and planning are being carried out to ensure that the safety and wellbeing of all is protected over the coming weeks.

Daily Routine:

The school day will be from 9am to 3pm (No before or after school provision available)

Nursery children will attend from 9am to 12pm

Class sizes will be kept below 15

Children should wear a fresh school uniform each day

A choice of hot and cold lunch will be available

Children will need to bring a water bottle with them, which can be refilled throughout the day

Learning activities in school:

Children will have daily English and Maths lessons, followed by an enjoyable range of creative and interesting activities.

Home Learning for children not in school:

- Children should continue to access <https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/dailylessons> or <https://www.thenational.academy/> Both offer a wide range of excellent daily lessons and activities. In addition, children should still access their MyMaths and TTRockstars accounts. We also have new home learning packs which will be available soon. If you are having any difficulties in accessing these, please telephone the school office.

The local authority have insisted they will not be pressuring any parents to send their children to school this term. The Government have also stated that no fines will be issued for non-attendance. As parents, you know your own children and their situation best.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me on this designated email **schoolreopening@middlefield.liverpool.sch.uk**

With Warmest Regards

Mr David Potter

Headteacher