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The Wider Opening of the School in June

Dear Parents/ Carers,

We can now share with you our plans for wider opening. Following DfE advice, we have prioritised children in Educare (children of critical workers), foundation, year one and finally year 6. Over the last two weeks, I have completed a detailed risk assessment taking into account the Department of Education's and the Academy Trust's guidance. This guidance is based on children being taught in small class bubbles; with the sizes being dictated by the capacity of each classroom, calculated using a social distancing measure. I can now share the outcomes with you.

Based on the number of children wishing to return to school from the recent parent survey/ telephone calls, we will be able to run: Educare, Foundation and Year 1 bubbles **but not nursery or year 6** at present. However, this may have to be adjusted if demand for spaces increases.

Obviously, having smaller bubbles means that they may not be with their 'usual' class teacher or be in their 'usual' classroom. Classrooms will look very different. Pupils will sit at their own desk within a two metre square. Children will be discouraged from leaving their square. They will have their own set of resources to minimise cross infection. The children will have a phased start and end to their day, operate their own timetable having different play and lunchtimes meaning they will have **no** contact with the children in other bubbles. Over the course of the next week, we will re-organise and resource rooms to be suitable for the children.

In relation to the organisation of the school day and all procedures we will email you directly. These will include: the arrangements to access the school site, your child's teacher, start and end time, doors of entry, lunch arrangements etc.

Due to the need for outstanding roof repairs to be carried out the school will not reopen until Monday 8th June.

As High Street Primary will be reopening on the week of the 1st June the Educare provision for Stuart Road will need to be re-sited.

For the week commencing the 1st June only this will be at UTC Plymouth.

We will send out instructions on how to access this provision once we know who wishes to use it.

Due to the increasing demands in Educare, we will now have to request evidence of critical parents' shift patterns so we can match demand to provision. When a parent can work at home, the child should remain at home. Parents will now need to inform us of their intention to use Educare by the Friday of the previous week as there will be limited spaces available in the first instance.

Therefore can you please contact Stuart Road to express your intention to use Educare and we will send you a booking form.

We all appreciate that school will be very different for the children who return to us next month but we will do our best to make sure school remains a positive learning environment. For the children who will have to continue to work at home, the teachers will continue to provide parents with suitable work to undertake.

Yours sincerely

Mr M Frame
Executive Headteacher