



Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this finds you well and that you enjoyed your Father's Day celebrations at the weekend. I was delighted to be able to see my own Father on Sunday for the first time in a long time, although it felt strange to maintain social distancing when what I really wanted to do was give him a big bear hug! Harriet was delighted to see Grandad again but was seriously unimpressed with his lockdown beard!

It has been another very busy week in many ways, and we are starting to see announcements from Government about further easing of lockdown measures over the coming weeks and months. We are delighted to hear that the government is aiming for all pupils to be back to school in September, however we remain cautious and look forward to further guidance about what this will actually look like in school and what safety measures we will need to keep in place to ensure this is successful. As always, the safety and well-being of children and staff will be our highest priority and we will communicate any plans or important information as soon as we can.

School is currently very calm and happy. All the children who have returned are settled and enjoying their days with us. We have reviewed our provision this week and have some important updates for you.

#### Keyworker places

With the current arrangements in place, we are not able to offer any further keyworker places in school. All bubbles are full to their maximum capacity. We plan to review this again next week and there may be a possibility that we could increase the size of the bubbles from 6<sup>th</sup> July, thus admitting further keyworker children in very small numbers. We will write to you next week to provide further information and apologise if this causes you any difficulties.

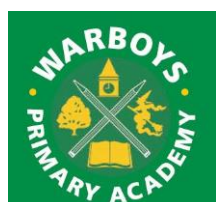
#### EYFS and Year 1

We have a limited number of spaces available in our EYFS and Year 1 bubbles and would ask you to complete [this form](#) by no later than **12 noon on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June** if you would like to request a place for the following week. Please note that if your child is allocated a place, they will be expected to be in school full time from Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June until the end of term. We will contact you on Friday afternoon to inform you which bubble they have been placed in and provide further details. If you would like to request a place and have difficulty completing the form or you would like to discuss your child's return to school, please contact the School Office.

#### Year 6

Following our survey to Year 6 parents last week, we have 28 children who would like the opportunity to come into school to meet with a small group of friends and their teachers before the end of term. The Year 6 team are in the process of planning and risk assessing these visits and will contact Year 6 parents separately with details of all the arrangements. It is likely that you will receive this communication next week and visits will be planned for the last week of term.

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### **Heatwave Alert Level 2**

The Met Office has issued a Level 2 Heatwave alert indicating an 80% risk of meeting trigger temperatures across the East of England between 0900 Wednesday and 0900 on Friday. The forecast is hot to very hot on Wednesday and Thursday, and likely on Friday too. Temperatures are expected to climb significantly this week. **Please apply sun cream to children before sending them to school and provide them with a hat/water bottle.** We will keep the children in the shade as much as possible but would appreciate your support as above. Thank you.

### **Free School Meals**

During these difficult times there are an increasing number of families experiencing financial hardship. If your circumstances have changed, you may be eligible to apply for free school meals and I would urge you to do this. It only takes one week from making an application (please click on the link below) to being accepted and starting to receive vouchers and now that these will be continuing over the summer holidays it is a good time to secure this support. If you would like to apply and have difficulty doing this, please contact the School Office for help. We would be happy to help you make your application.

[APPLY FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS HERE](#)

### **Plans for the next Academic Year (2020-21)**

Senior Leaders are in the process of planning for next year and we will write to you as soon as we can to let you know our class structure and organisation. We expect to finalise this over the next 2 weeks so that we can let you know where the children will be when they return to school for the next academic year. We will not be able to hold our transition day this year, however I am sure that with the help of Mr Bostock we will be able to arrange something online to support transition so that children have the chance to engage with their new teachers in some way before the end of term.

Thank you as always for your ongoing support and understanding through these challenging times. I have said it many times before, but I am very proud of the way Warboys community has pulled together through this crisis and I am in awe of what the everyone had achieved through online learning. It is disheartening to hear so much in the press about children 'missing out' and 'falling behind' – of course this is true for a small number of children but for a large proportion of our community , the children have positively thrived on the combined efforts of parents and teachers working together.

With very best wishes,

Becky Ford  
Headteacher