



Every Child, Every Chance, Every Day.
Parent Copy

14th May 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to give you some initial information as to the current thinking at Crabtree Farm Primary School and the possible, phased return for some of our children.

I know that this is a very anxious time for you all and will therefore try and keep you as updated as I possibly can, in order for you to make an informed decision about sending your child/ren back when we re-open to individual year groups.

All primary schools in England, at the moment are going through the same process to ensure the safety and wellbeing of our children and staff. We are working closely with the Nottingham Schools Trust (NST) and as a united front we will always think about how we can ensure your child/ren's safety on their return.

Our initial, practical plans suggested by the Government are:

- Any child in school will not be in a group of more than 15 children.
- They will be grouped, where possible in their year groups.
- Each group, where possible will stay the same and have the same member of staff, be in the same room and will not mix with other children.
- Cleaning of resources will take place throughout the day.
- Handwashing will be frequent.
- We will use outdoor space as much as we can (weather dependent).
- We will stagger drop off and collection times for each group of children.
- We will stagger playtimes and lunch times and we may need to have different zones for each group.

We are also considering how we could set up a one way system for entering and leaving the building at the start and end of the day. What extra cleaning measures have to be put into place and how much space we actually have to ensure social distance can actually happen!

We will shortly be sending out a short questionnaire to all parents to gauge whether, if we did open for certain groups of children, you would be willing to send them. This information would then help us to make an informed decision in the practical planning of re-opening. It is up to you as a parent to make an informed decision as to sending your child/ren back and we will respect your decision.

For now, as I stated in my last letter to you, we will provide provision in school for the children whose parents' work is critical to the COVID-19 response (key workers) and those that cannot be cared for safely at home.

It is important to remember that this is only a conditional plan by the Government. It could change and the idea of starting back on the 1st of June is only an aim, even for limited year groups. We need to do what is right for Crabtree. I will continue to keep you updated as much as I can as practical decisions are made.

If you have any questions with regards to the situation please email me on, headteacher@crabtreefarm.nottingham.sch.uk and I will endeavour to answer your questions. However, I only have the same information that you do.

We are extremely grateful for your ongoing support and appreciate how hard you are working with your children. It is indeed a tough job home schooling! I know, I am doing it too.

Keep safe and I will be in touch soon with a questionnaire.

Yours sincerely,

Miss L Haskey
Acting Head Teacher