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Tanworth in Arden Church of England
Primary School & Nursery

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Dear Parent,

We are fast approaching the end of this school year and what a year it has been! Nobody could have predicted that we would be closing the school in March with learning moved to online and children studying at home. Since half term we have gradually re-opened to Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 following the Government guidelines. It has been lovely to have these children either in school every day or in the case of Year 1's for two days a week. At this time, there are no confirmed plans for re-opening the school to the other year groups due to lack of space, staffing and the need for some social- distancing. However, if guidance changes we will amend our plans if possible.

As a school we are very aware that we have not seen children in Years 2,3,4 and 5 since March, unless they are in the Key Worker groups. Normally at this time of year we would be sharing the date of our transition morning. This is a morning when children move up to their new classroom to spend time with their new teacher before the Summer holiday.

Children in Reception have spent time in their new classroom this half-term and, Miss Smith is also moving up with this class into Year 1 to support the transition, so we are confident that these children are ready for Year 1.

Children currently in Year 1 (who are in school) are in their new classroom and over the next three weeks Miss Evens will be spending a morning with all of the children to help with their transition into Year 2.

As a school, we still want to offer the children in Years 2, 3, 4 and 5 the opportunity to meet their new teacher and be in their new classroom, and so we have come up with a plan as follows:

Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 will start their Summer holidays on Monday 13th July. Friday 10th July will be their last day in school.

Children in Years 2, 3, 4 and 5 will be invited in to school for one day during the week beginning Monday 13th July. Each year group will be split in to three groups of 10 children. One group of children from each year will be invited in to spend the day in their new classroom with their new teacher. This will allow the children to meet their teacher, know their room and see some of their friends before the Summer holidays.

Below is a table of how it will look.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Reception transition to Year 1 with Miss Smith	Children who have not been in the Reception bubbles	DEEP CLEANING OF CLASSROOMS		DEEP CLEANING OF CLASSROOMS	
Year 1 transition to Year 2 with Miss Evens	Children who have not been in the Year 1 bubbles				
Year 2 transition to Year 3 with Mr Fidler	Group a		Group b		Group c
Year 3 transition to Year 4 Mrs Hoskins	Group a		Group b		Group c
Year 4 transition to Year 5 with Miss Cutler	Group a		Group b		Group c
Year 5 transition to Year 6 with Miss Wilding	Group a		Group b		Group c

The school will still be open for children of Critical Workers during the week starting Monday 13th July.

However, if parents would like their child to be part of a transition day they will not have access to the Key Worker group for the week. This is because children cannot be part of different 'bubbles'.

Parents of children in years 2,3,4 and 5 and those in Reception or Year 1 who have not returned to school, will receive an email next week to offer them a space in one of the transition days.

I wanted to share this with you now so that you can plan for the weeks ahead.

If you have any questions please email or ring the school office.

Thank you for your continued support,



Mrs Bamford

Headteacher