



THE DEAN TRUST
Park View Academy

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you to the many parents/carers who completed the online survey. Your responses have been very helpful to me in the planning of the wider provision of school to Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 children.

I am now able to provide you with an update for Park View Academy wider provision for the children from **Monday 15th June**. The responses show that family requirements may change on a week to week basis. If your requirements do change can I please ask that you give us at least 3 working days' notice as staffing levels will be influenced by the number of children on site. Our school office is now open as normal should you need to make contact.

Our response to Government Guidance

Our number one priority is the safety of our children and staff. Over the last three weeks lots of planning, organising and risk assessments have taken place. Risk assessments have been shared, scrutinised and authorised by our Trust Board, Board of Governors and a Third-party Health and Safety organisation. This week our staff have been consulted on the risk assessment and collectively working hard to put the appropriate measures in place.

Day to day organisation

For the days that each year group is in school they will have a staggered start and finish time. These are detailed below. Children will be organised into 'bubbles' with a maximum of ten children and two staff. The children in each bubble will be decided on friendship groups when and where possible. Once your child is in a bubble this is where they will remain until the end of this academic year. Each bubble will also be given their own entrance and exit to the school premises along with the school building. This will be given to children and parents on their first day of school.

Bubbles have been designed to limit the amount of different people that your child comes into contact with on a regular basis. This has a number of benefits. One being that we reduce the chances of your child contracting COVID 19. It also means that if one person does display symptoms of COVID 19, we have limited the children and staff that may have to isolate.

Key worker children

Key worker children will attend Park View Academy from **Monday 8th June** for those children who have been attending throughout our closure. School will start at **8.30 and finish at 2.30** each day. Entrance into school will be via the main reception entrance. From new Government guidance we have had to put some additional safety measures in place. If you do fall into the key worker group and can't work from home and have explored all other possible options of childcare, please contact us at school to discuss securing a place. Please ensure you give school at least three working days' notice if you feel you have no other option but to utilise this provision in order to ensure that we can adapt staffing numbers appropriately.

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Year 6 children

Currently we have twenty-six year 6 children confirmed to start back in school. These children will start on **Monday 15th June**. Doors will open at **8.45am and close at 9.00am**. It is important that children are not late. **School will finish at 2.00pm each day**. Our Year 6 children will attend 5 days a week.

Reception children

Seven children in Reception so far have been confirmed to return to school. These children will start back on **Wednesday 17th June for 3 days** (Wednesday 17th, Thursday 18th and Friday 19th). In the following weeks, Reception children will attend three days a week, every **Wednesday, Thursday and Friday only**. Doors will open at **9.00am and close at 9.15am**. It is important that children are not late. **School will finish at 2.00pm each day**.

Year 1 children

Seven Year 1 children so far have been confirmed to return to school. These children will start back on **Monday 22nd for two days (Monday 22nd and Tuesday 23rd)**. In the following weeks, year 1 children will attend every Monday and Tuesday. Doors will open at **9.00am and close at 9.15am**. It is important that children are not late. **School will finish at 2.00 each day**.

Timetable overview

Monday 15 th	Tuesday 16 th	Wednesday 17 th	Thursday 18 th	Friday 19 th
Year 6	Year 6	Year 6	Year 6	Year 6
		Reception	Reception	Reception

Monday 22 nd	Tuesday 23 rd	Wednesday 24 th	Thursday 25 th	Friday 26 th
Year 6	Year 6	Year 6	Year 6	Year 6
Year 1	Year 1	Reception class	Reception class	Reception class

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Monday 29 th	Tuesday 30 th	Wednesday 1 st	Thursday 2 nd	Friday 3 rd
Year 6	Year 6	Year 6	Year 6	Year 6
Year 1	Year 1	Reception class	Reception class	Reception class

Lunch arrangements

Parents can purchase a lunch for their child in the normal way. Initially this will be a packed lunch. Children who are entitled to a free school meal will also be provided with a packed lunch. If your child would prefer to bring a packed lunch in from home, please send this in a disposable bag so that everything can be disposed of immediately after use. This will avoid items being brought to and from school. Children **MUST NOT** bring their own water bottle to school. We will provide water for all children.

Uniform

Children are expected to wear **uniform Monday, Wednesday and Friday** with PE kit being worn on the other two days. School summer uniform is acceptable. It is advisable for pupils to wear a different set of clothes each day for health and safety reasons. The advice from Public Health England is that clothes worn outside the house should be washed on a daily basis to minimise the risk of infection. We are fully aware that we are almost at the end of the school year and uniform for some children maybe an issue. If this is the case please speak with me or one of my senior team so we can support you with this matter.

No Breakfast Club and After School Club

I am fully aware that not being able to offer extended provision at this time will make life extremely challenging for some of you, as it will be for some of our staff. At this time, we are unable to offer out of hours provision but we will inform you if this changes.

Home Learning

With the plans detailed above we still have a large percentage of children working at home. Staff have once again produced home learning packs. These can be collected from school on Monday 8th June. A timetable has been sent. Until then staff will continue to post work online via Dojo. As before, these packs are specific to the curriculum your children would normally be following in school. They are also differentiated to pupils learning needs. If you feel the work is too hard or too easy please let your class teacher know immediately.

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As a large proportion of the staff will be in class each day they will be unable to still have full responsible for their classes learning at home. This responsibility will be picked up by another staff member in the short term. Each class teacher will have time at the end of the day to respond to any specific messages directly to them.

Siblings in different groups

If there are families that have two or more children in school there is a strong possibility that they will fall into both the key worker group and one of the year groups. With the one-hour difference in the finish time between these groups this may cause an issue. Children in a year group will not be able to move into the key worker bubble for the remaining hour in school. Parents can either collect both children at 1.30pm or both children will have to attend the key worker group full time.

Education

Due to the limited number of children that can fit in each room, children may not be with their own class teacher. During the day the children will not be taught formal lessons. This is because many of our children are currently unable to access our school as their parents are not key workers. Formal lessons will only be taught when we reopen for a whole year group. It is important under equity of provision that these children are not disadvantaged based on their parents' job. If we were providing one section of our pupils with formal face to face daily lessons and another significant portion could not access these, it would be clearly unfair. Therefore, from an educational perspective in school, the children will be given opportunities to complete some of their home learning at set points in the day. I am sure that all parents/carers would agree that this is fair.

As you will see from the information above we have been working extremely hard to put plans and recommendations in place to keep your children and our staff safe. However, it is impossible to create an environment where there is no risk. Each day we will review how effective the measures are that we have put in place and make amendments where necessary. I anticipate that there will become a time where places are limited and we will be unable to accept any additional children into school while still adhering to Government guidelines. I thank all our parents/carers in advance for the patience and understanding that I know you will show as things evolve over the coming weeks.

Yours Faithfully,

Mr. D. Kenny

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