

18th June 2020

Dear Parents,

After careful consideration, and taking into account the government's recent announcement, the governors and I have reached the difficult decision that we do not have the capacity to welcome back all the other year groups before the summer holiday. Currently, Year 1 and Year 6 are in school and Reception will be starting next week. Following this, we will be inviting Year 5 to come into school. This will help to prepare them for their last year at Buckfastleigh before they leave to go to secondary school. This means that Years 2, 3 and 4 will not be returning until September.

We do realise how hard this is for the children who are at home and we wish they could return to their classes. It is simply not feasible given the current guidance, the classrooms, space and staff we have available. It is understandable you may have looked forward to your child returning to school for some time prior to the summer holidays and we hope you understand the reasons behind the decision made. Below is a table to show the plan for the next four weeks.

Week Beginning 22nd June

Year Group	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Reception	X	X			
Year 1				X	X
Year 6	X	X			

Weeks Beginning 29th June, 6th July and 13th July

Year Group	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Reception	X	X	X	X	X
Year 1	X	X	X	X	X
Year 5			X	X	X
Year 6	X	X			

The class teachers will continue to make home learning available for Y2, Y3 and Y4 children via Class Dojo. We will be updating how we deliver home learning over the last four weeks of term to help encourage and support the children further. Please keep an eye out for further information on Class Dojo.

It has been lovely and rewarding to see the learning children have been doing each week. We also appreciate the regular messages and communication you are sending us on Class Dojo. If your child is in Years 2, 3 or 4 and you would find it helpful to receive a telephone call from a class teacher, please let us know and we will be in touch. In addition, we are finding out if we can set up a weekly class catch up online between the children and their class teacher. This will be a lovely opportunity to share news, listen to a story or complete a class quiz. We will send you a letter soon with more information about this. Fingers crossed we can make this happen.
Kind regards

Eddie Brown

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