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9<sup>th</sup> June 2020

Dear Parents / Carers,

We have conducted various risk assessments to ensure that we can effectively and safely open on June 17<sup>th</sup> 2020 for Reception. Please be conscious that the 'R' rate is an ever-changing picture especially in our local community. Today, the government has announced for health and safety reasons we will not be opening for primary year groups 2, 3, 4 or 5 until possibly September.

We will totally understand if upon reflection, with the constant changing picture of the coronavirus, if you decide to keep your child at home until September and complete work set on the website from home.

We have sections allocated in the back playground for children to play during break and lunchtimes. **You must appreciate that it will be virtually impossible to keep children 2 metres apart when they are playing despite our marked out distancing.**

The academy has all health and safety arrangements in place. Present arrangements are that children will be taught in groups of between 5 and 10; obviously they will not be in the same groups they were in before lockdown.

We have measured the front playground out to ensure a 2 metre distance upon your arrival.

- Reception – Arrive at the gate at 9:00
- You must adhere to the 2 metre markings outside the academy gate
- Children can attend in school uniform or Dorrington's PE kit but no ties
- If your child is not in PE kit, they must bring their PE kit with them on their first day
- Collection at the end of the day is at 2.30
- Under no circumstances will we tolerate lateness in the morning on arrival or lateness at the end of the school day

**We will be closed on Fridays for everybody until the summer break, allowing us to carry out a full deep clean of the Academy.**

Office staff will be available on the playground in the morning for payments as the office will be closed.

Should you wish to keep your child at home, we will respect your decision, but please contact the office to let us know.

All staff look forward to welcoming your child back to Dorrington. Please take care of yourselves and we look forward to seeing you again soon.

Yours sincerely,

  
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