



# ROWLATTS MEAD

PRIMARY ACADEMY

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Following on from the letter you received from Carolyn Robson (CEO of TMET) we will be opening our school on 15<sup>th</sup> June for Nursery, Foundation 2, Year 1 and Year 6 children only, as stipulated by the Government. Since the 1<sup>st</sup> June staff have been working extremely hard to carry out full risk assessments and make sure we can open safely and maintain the requisite **2 metre social distance at all times**.

Teachers from the Nursery, Foundation 2, Year 1 and Year 6 have rang families to ask if your child will be returning to school. Small groups of children and staff, or 'bubbles', have been created based on the returning numbers of children in each year group. We will not compromise on maintaining a 2 metre distance for children and staff so each class will only take 5 children with tables. The 'bubbles' will be split across the school, therefore your child may not be taught in their usual class or have their usual class teacher/support staff.

Please be aware that some of our staff may be wearing protective equipment while in school and this may seem unusual or possibly scary for some children. Can I ask that you talk to them about this in advance so this is not a surprise for them.

Only children who have confirmed they require a place in school will be allowed in school. If you change your mind about your child attending school you **MUST** contact school so that necessary arrangements may be put in place.

**We are not asking for the children to come in uniform as we know that they may well have outgrown their school clothes. We do ask the children to wear fresh, clean clothes each day.**

Please make sure your child has had a good breakfast as we will not be able to provide toast in the mornings.

**All children will have a packed lunch supplied to them by the school. If you would prefer, please bring in your own food.**

The structure we are suggesting based on numbers of pupils wanting to come back to school with the staff that is available is:

### **Daily offer**

Nursery – am 5 children and pm 5 children

Foundation 2 children – 15 children spread over 4 classes

Year 1 – 20 children spread over 4 classes

Year 6 – 20 children spread over 4 classes

Timings at the start and end of the day have been staggered, again to maintain social distancing.

### School Timings for Monday to Thursday:

Year group	Start time	Home time
F1 Am and Pm	9.30-11.30am	12.15pm – 2.15pm
F2	9.15am	2.15pm
Y1	9.00am	2.30pm
Y6	9.00am	2.45pm

### School Timings for Fridays (shorter day):

Year group	Start time	Home time
F1 Am and Pm	9.30-11.30am	12.15pm – 2.15pm
F2	9.15am	11.50pm
Y1	9.00am	12.00pm
Y6	9.00am	12.15pm

It will be up to you as parents and carers whether you choose to send your children to school. You will not be penalised for non-attendance until the autumn term at the earliest. Staff will meet you at the drive and walk your child to the class; parents/carers are not to come in to school. After washing their hands their temperatures will be taken. **If the child has a high temperature we will notify families and the child must be collected as soon as possible.**

The focus of our curriculum will be the children's mental wellbeing and making them feel safe in school whilst continuing to educate them about washing hands and remaining a safe distance from each other. There will be a daily focus on reading and fun activities using the outside learning environment where possible.

For Y2, Y3, Y4 and Y5 children and the Nursery, F2, Y1 and Y6 children who do not attend school, teachers will continue to set work 'virtually'. We have provided booklets that teachers are guiding children through communications via WEDUC. We will also continue to ring home and make contact with the children not in school but this will be carried out by teachers that might not be their class teacher.

We politely ask that parents/carers whose children aren't at school do not come to school but continue to phone in, email ([office@rowlatts-tmet.uk](mailto:office@rowlatts-tmet.uk)) or communicate via WEDUC. We are trying to minimise anyone being on school grounds and maintain social distancing at all times. If you do come to the office, the glass door will remain closed but a new speaker system has been fitted and office staff will communicate via that.

If you have any queries please ring into the office on 0116 276 8812.

Yours faithfully



Ms Jay Virk  
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