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Dear parents and carers,

I would like to start this letter by thanking you for your support this week: it has been challenging in many ways but also very rewarding at the same time. Welcoming your children back to school and seeing their happiness and pure delight has been the highlight for me.

Having reviewed this first week back and reflected on and learned from our experiences, I have been pleased that most of the systems we had planned and put in place have worked. I would like to thank you for your support especially in ensuring you are punctual at both drop-off and pick-up times. As I expected, it is only by actually 'doing' that we learn where things also need to adapt.

I have outlined below a few changes that will be instigated from next week

- Children of key workers that need to attend **every week** will now form one group with their own dedicated staff team and classroom.
- To further reduce the risk of transmitting the virus we have decided that the weekly groups will now be taught by bespoke staff teams. All children will still be taught by staff familiar to them, but some will not have their class teacher. However, their class teacher will oversee and plan the work taught each week.
- As a consequence of the point above we need to reorganise Year One groupings to create two parallel groups instead of four. The Year one children that attended this week will now form Group **One** and will next be in school on Monday 15th June. The year one children due to attend on Monday 8th June will now form **Group two**. This will not compromise our group size limit of 15. All Year one children, no matter their group number, will now need to be dropped off at the **ramp entrance** at 08.50am and picked up from the same place at 2.45pm. (Signs will be displayed outside school to assist you in locating the correct entrance.)
- Maple and Cherry classes will continue to be taught in their allocated areas and be dropped off at their dedicated place and times. Nothing has changed for these groups

I have no doubt, as the national situation continues to change we will need to adapt and modify our systems again, but wherever we can, we will always minimise the impact on your children.

I wish you all a happy and healthy weekend.

Miss K Aldred