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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am now able to provide you with information relating to the transition arrangements in September and the new class that your child/ren will eventually move to.

As our pupils missed out on so much time in school and were unable to say goodbye to their current teachers or visit their new classroom and teacher before returning in September, I have decided to bring all children back to their **CURRENT CLASS** for the first 2 weeks in September. This means that they can complete transition work and re-connect with their current teachers before saying goodbye and moving up to their new class on Monday 14th September.

Please check the first chart below for details of transition and start dates. Please note, that due to Covid 19, I have altered some INSET days to enable staff to fully prepare for the return of our pupils. This now means that Tuesday 1st and Wednesday 2nd September will be INSET days. Pupils will start to return to SMA from Thursday 3rd September 2020. The remaining INSET days this academic year will be Monday 2nd November 2020 and Monday 19th and Tuesday 20th July 2021.

Please note that in line with current guidelines, we will carry out a deep clean of the classrooms once again on Friday 11th September. This means that they will be ready for the bubbles to all move to their new class on Monday 14th September. To allow sufficient time for this to occur, we will close to **all pupils** after lunch on **Friday 11th September at 12:30pm**. Lunch will be provided as usual.

The second chart below shows you the new class that your child/ren will move up to on Monday 14th September.

We are unsure what the guidance will look like in September, so I have to assume that social distancing will still be in place in some way. It is therefore my intention that children will remain in their own class (approx. 30) and become their own 'bubble'. This means it is likely that:

- The bubbles will not be able to mix with other bubbles
- There will be staggered start and end times to the day (parents/carers to be notified nearer the time)
- Bubbles will have their lunches delivered to their class base
- There will be no Breakfast Club (until further notice)
- There will be no After School Clubs (until further notice)
- School will continue to close at 2:15pm on a Friday (excellent opportunity for deep cleaning and resource rotation)
- There will be no after school care provision on a Friday (Friday Club) for children who are eligible (and currently registered)
- Parents and Carers will not be able to access the school site unless by prior appointment
- Parents/Carers drop off and pick up points (Meeting Points) will be clearly marked at socially distanced sections on the school gates, where staff will be based in order to escort pupils to/from the school site
- Whole school worship, assemblies and other activities will need to be carried out remotely



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SMA Transition:

	W/C Thursday 3rd September	W/C 7th September	W/C 14th September	W/C 21st September
NEW Nursery Intake		Pm: New Nursery Intake Parent meetings	Phased start to Nursery	Full mornings
CURRENT Nursery '1' (Remain in Nursery)			Phased return to Nursery	Full mornings
CURRENT Nursery '2' (Will be moving to Reception class)		Return to Nursery, mornings only	Start Reception class. Mornings only this week Pm: New Reception Intake Parent meetings	Full Time in Rec
CURRENT Reception (Will be moving to Y1)	Return to 'Current' Reception class, Mornings only this week	Return to 'Current' Reception class, Full time	Full Time in Y1	Full Time in Y1
CURRENT 1W	Return to 1W	Return to 1W	2E	2E
CURRENT 1H	Return to 1H	Return to 1H	2M	2M
CURRENT 2M	Return to 2M	Return to 2M	3F	3F
CURRENT 2E	Return to 2E	Return to 2E	3M	3M
CURRENT 3M	Return to 3M	Return to 3M	4C	4C
CURRENT 3F	Return to 3F	Return to 3F	4S	4S
CURRENT 4C	Return to 4C	Return to 4C	5M	5M
CURRENT 4S	Return to 4S	Return to 4S	5L	5L
CURRENT 5L	Return to 5L	Return to 5L	6M	6M
CURRENT 5M	Return to 5M	Return to 5M	6H	6H

During the first shorter week back at school, Thursday and Friday, we will have children staying in their current class as this will be familiar to them and should hopefully ease some anxieties a little.

During the second week of transition (week commencing 7th September), we will have the children spending some time carrying out transition activities to prepare them for their next class. Should the guidance change, and we are allowed to welcome parents and carers back on site in September, we will ensure that you know where the new external classroom door is and where to drop your child/ren off and pick them up.

As you know, guidance is changing all the time and so I am currently unable to say exactly where this will be. For now, working on social distancing measures, it will likely be a 'Meeting Point' near the gates. We will, of course, let you know nearer the time and we will have Meeting Points clearly marked.



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I appreciate that the information, particularly for the Early Years, may be a little confusing. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school office, or your current class teacher via the class email address.

SMA New Class from 14th September 2020.

Current Class	New Class from Monday 14 th September 2020	Teachers
	Nursery am/pm	Mrs Parry and Mrs Adcock
Nursery '2'	Reception: RHa	Miss Harper
	Reception: RHo	Miss Hoyle
R Hearty	1W	Miss Wray
R Harper	1H	Miss Hearty
1H	2M	Miss McAulay
1W	2E	Miss Eagle
2E	3M	Miss McNulty
2M	3F	Mr Feeley
3F	4S	Miss Spittlehouse
3M	4C	Mr Cummings
4S	5L	Mrs Lee
4C	5M	Mrs McQuillan and Mr Lanyon (covering Maternity Leave for Miss King)
5M	6H	Miss Howard / <u>Monday</u> : Mr Lanyon (covering Maternity Leave for Mrs Gill)
5L	6M	Mrs Marsh

I really do very much appreciate that both yourselves and your child/ren will be anxious about returning to school in September. We are all very busy planning for a revised curriculum in September that helps our pupils to re-connect with one another, and focuses on emotional wellbeing and positive mental health, particularly during the transition period. The curriculum will cover the basics that are likely to be a little rusty and at the same time, develop topics of interest and excitement to the children whilst being mindful that many pupils and families may have experienced some form of loss during lockdown. We will share our plans with you in September and will offer ideas and suggestions for you to try at home too. For now, please start to reassure your child/ren that we are excited to welcome them back to SMA in September!

I will remain in touch and keep you updated on plans and guidance as and when I receive them. I ask that you ensure we have an up to date contact number and email address as we will send updates over the summer holidays. Please check our website and twitter page for letters and updates too.

For now, I thank you once again for your amazing patience and understanding. With my very best wishes,

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