

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope you are all well and keeping safe.

This is going to be another shorter newsletter this week because I am aware that I have sent out lots of letters this week so I don't want to bombard you!

Parent Council

We had a great Parent Council meeting this week on Zoom and I was able to hear your questions and thoughts about the school re-opening. I have added these questions to the Frequently Asked Questions sheet for you all to see. It was great to hear from the parents that you have appreciated the communication from the school since lockdown started – thank you.

Re-opening

You will have seen from my previous letters that at the moment we are only opening for children that are already accessing child care arrangements, Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 6, which is following Government guidance. We have split all the classes into smaller teaching groups with a classroom, teacher and additional adult for every group. This means that we are currently at full capacity in terms of classroom space. If the Government announces that we need to open for other year groups in July in the same way (small groups with a classroom each) we are not going to be able to do that because we simply do not have the space. Once the Government produces more guidance about managing more children, I will let you know.

Home Learning

Learning activities will be starting again next week so that the children in school and the children at home will be getting the same opportunities. We are also training teachers to start to record some teaching sessions to support the children learning at home. We hope to be able to start sharing these with you in the next couple of weeks. More information to follow soon.

School Office

The school office will remain closed to parents and carers to support social distancing measures. If you need to contact the school office for any reason, you are welcome to phone or e-mail office@meridian.e-sussex.sch.uk Thank you for supporting us with keeping everyone at school safe.

Please look after yourselves and take care.

Best wishes

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