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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you are all keeping safe and well?

I am writing this letter to keep you all updated on the situation regarding our current Reception children. As you are already aware, your son/daughter is currently in Reception and is due to transition into Year 1 in September.

All children across school have missed a significant amount of learning, due to the Lockdown, but, I am confident that as a school team, we will be able to support your child to catch up, over time. However, due to the nature of the Early Years Curriculum, it is important that the children complete their learning in the Early Years, before moving onto the Year 1 Curriculum.

So, from Wednesday 2nd September until Friday 4th September, your son/daughter will stay within their current classrooms in Reception, with their current teachers. Their new Year 1 teachers will also be working within the Reception classrooms, as part of the transition process. The staff will then organise for your child to visit their new Year 1 classrooms during the week. **From Monday 7th September, your child will enter and exit school via their new Year 1 classrooms, in the Key Stage 1 and 2 building.**

I have also taken the decision to organise the children into 3 teaching groups for September for the morning sessions, whilst in Year 1, with our Year 1 teachers, Miss Davies, Miss Burgess and also, our Reception Leader, Mrs Merrick. This will allow for smaller group teaching, in order to identify any gaps in learning. Also, the children will continue to follow the Early Years Curriculum for the whole of the Autumn Term, before moving into the Year 1 Curriculum in the Spring Term. I am confident that by completing the Early Years Curriculum, our children will be better placed to then move into the National Curriculum, as they will have completed the necessary 'building blocks' before moving on.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask. Our Reception Team will be more than happy to answer any queries that you may have.

May I also take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support during this challenging time. It's much appreciated.

Many thanks.

Mrs Redfern
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