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January School Opening Update

Dear Parent/Carer,

Happy New Year! I hope this letter continues to find you all safe and well and that you have been able to enjoy time with family over the Christmas and New Year period.

As you will be aware, the current COVID situation is continually changing with on-going discussions and information being shared by the Government, Department for Education and Unions. This puts me in a very challenging situation and one where information regarding the opening of school may change at any given time. I promise that I will do my utmost to keep you informed of any changes, as soon as I hear anything but potentially this could be at very short notice. I sincerely apologise for the extremely short notice of this information, which was beyond my control.

At the time of writing this letter, school will open to **the majority of pupils on Monday 4th January.**

The following classes will be OPEN TO ALL PUPILS:

Y1/2F – Mrs Farnaby

Y20 – Mrs Osborne

Y3R – Miss Robinson

Y3L – Mrs Laville

Y4 – Mrs Smith/Mrs Wilson

Y5Be – Miss Bestwick

Y6G – Miss Gregory

Y6S – Mrs Stevenson

The classes listed below will only be open for pupils who have parents/carers who are keyworkers or children meet the vulnerability criteria (Education Health Care Plan or social services involvement):

Little Sycamores – Mrs Knight

EYFS Unit – Mrs Guest

Reception – Mrs Elliott & Mrs Rowe

Y1/2L – Miss Leonard

Y5Br – Mr Brown

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If you need to book a keyworker/vulnerable place please inform Mrs Bramley by email to this address: ODcovidtestresults@oakdenprimary.org.uk

We are looking forward to welcoming our children safely back into school! We are keen again to have them back with their friends and re-engaging in their learning. Your child's well-being will continue to be of paramount importance to us and we will work with you to ensure they settle quickly back in.

I know some of you will continue to be very anxious about your child's return to school, and I wanted to reassure you all and remind that we continue to embed measures we have put in place to continue to mitigate risk. These measures worked well in the autumn term and we are one of a handful of schools nationally who did not close a bubble!

For those children who are not eligible for a keyworker/vulnerable place class teachers will be in touch to set home school learning tomorrow but you can make a start by using the Oak Academy guidance for each class on the school website.

Please continue to use our school website and Marvellous Me through which I will send out communication of any kind. Once again apologies for the late information.

Yours sincerely

Mrs E Bramley

Executive Head Teacher

