

Parrett and Axe

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Dear Parents/Carers

As you may have noticed there has been a lot of news reporting about possible school closures and concern about the new variant of the Coronavirus.

It has always been my intention that Parrett and Axe School should remain open to all pupils for as long as the Governors and I feel the school is a safe environment for staff and children.

The School follows a risk assessment that has been approved by the Local Authority and the Governing Body. After much negotiation with my staff we can offer the following provision:

Lulworth – in as normal
Durdle Door – in as normal
Kimmeridge – in as normal
Chesil – in as normal

The risk assessment has changed for these classes, staff can now wear face coverings when working in close proximity to pupils. We have also decided to go to non-school uniform so parents/carers have the opportunity to provide a clean set of clothes daily with PE kit being worn as normal on PE days. There will be also be more ventilation in the classrooms with external doors and windows open so I suggest that you provide your child with warm suitable clothing.

Having studied the risk assessment, I am sorry to say that initially due to staff availability that I can only open Corfe Class to children of key workers and vulnerable children for the next fortnight. If you think that you are eligible for a place could you then please contact the school by 3pm today. Once I have the numbers of children who are eligible for these places I can make a decision on the rest of Corfe class. For those children not attending school in Corfe Class we will be providing packs of learning for you to collect from tomorrow morning from the school porch area and these will be supported by up-loads on Tapestry.

Could I also ask that parents wear face coverings when dropping off and picking up their children and be aware of social distancing guidance. Could you please also ensure that you are on time to collect and drop off your child as this minimises community infections.

Thank you very much for your continued patience and support. Please contact me if you have any concerns.

Mr S Smith
Head Teacher

Mrs S Pakes
Chair to Governors

