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Dear Parent/Carer,

It has been fantastic having reception children back in school! The reception cocoons have worked really well and the children have been very positive about the experience. The same is true of the year 1 children in their second week of returning. We have noticed many of the children running into the building with great enthusiasm, which we are taking as a sign of approval.

I will continue with some of the Frequently Asked Questions we have been receiving recently:

Will there be any provision at school during the summer holidays?

School will be closed over the summer holiday. We will not be running any classes, or clubs, out of our school over summer break.

Will you be opening years 2, 3, 4 or 5 before the summer holidays?

Today we have opened a new cocoon in year 5. We have selected children who had some barriers to accessing, and using, our Google Classroom provision. We have selected children that we feel would benefit most from a return to school before the summer holiday. This cocoon is by invitation only.

Many of you have been asking about possibilities for children in other year groups to come into school, even if only for a brief session to close the school year out. We are excited to say we have made some plans:

We will be providing an opportunity for all children in years R-5 to attend school for a 2-hour session during the final week of the school year (week beginning July 13^{th}). Children will visit the school at a specific time, in a cocoon, and spend some time with their current teacher and with their new teacher. They will spend this session in the new classroom they will be in from September, not their current classroom.

We will send you more information, with specific dates and times, shortly. I'm sure you will appreciate that this will be a quite complicated timetable, so we will not be able to offer much flexibility with dates and times.

In order to have the space within the buildings, and ensure staff are available for these sessions, we will need to close the current cocoons before the last day of summer term. Year 1 and Reception cocoons have their final day on Wednesday, 15th July. Year 6 children will be having their last day on Friday, 10th July.

I'm having difficulty opening the link for these letters in the App – what can I do?

We're very sorry to hear this has become an issue for some of you. Some parents have reported that deleting the app and reinstalling has fixed this problem.

We have been in touch with Teachers2Parents to report the problem and we are still awaiting their guidance and support.

Yours sincerely,

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Headteacher