

Dear parents,

I hope you've had a lovely half term. As you can imagine, things have been rather busy in school preparing for the return of pre-school, year R, year 1 and year 6. I can now confirm start dates for these year groups.

This week, we will only be open to the children of critical workers. These children should be booked in through your school gateway accounts. If your child is in years 2-5, please continue to book them in for any future weeks. Once children start, provision will continue for them on a full-time basis.

Monday 8th June – Critical workers as usual, Pre-school and year R start.

Wednesday 10th June – Year 1 start.

Friday 12th June – Year 6 start.

Later this week, you will receive an email from the staff leading your child's group. This email will tell you which group they are in, which classroom they will be based in and give information about arrival and pick-up times. Please share this letter with your child as it will include some photos of their classroom and the school to help to prepare them for coming back.

Your child will be met at the school gate by a member of staff. Please do not enter the playground or school building for any reason. Please email or ring if you need to contact us. Please observe social distancing guidelines when arriving at and departing from school.

Please ensure that your child has the following in school each day and brings all their possessions home each afternoon. We are unable to share any resources or materials:

- Their home-learning book
- A pencil case containing a pencil, pen, colouring pencils, rubber, sharpener and ruler. (If possible also felt pens, a glue stick and scissors, but don't buy these specially) Year 6 should also bring in a maths set and calculator if possible.
- Their lunch, snack and a filled bottle of water.
- A waterproof coat (lunches will be taken outside in all but the most extreme weather)
- A sun hat (sunglasses are optional)
- A toy or game they can enjoy individually e.g skipping rope, ball (no electronics, please)
- They should wear or bring trainers for PE (PE kit not needed)

If your child suffers from hay fever, please ensure they have a supply of tissues and have taken any relevant medication before coming to school.

We will be unable to apply sunscreen, so please ensure that your child has it applied in the morning and can cover up if necessary.

Whilst it sounds daunting, please be assured that we are doing all we can to ensure a warm and nurturing environment while maintaining rigorous safety standards.

Home-learning

With so many children still at home, we are determined to continue to provide an excellent home-learning offer. Class teachers will continue to plan and post the work for each week on the website every Friday. However, as many of these teachers will now be teaching a group each day, your contacts for discussion of work, support and collection of photos and information will change.

Please send work, news, photos and questions to the following from Tuesday 2nd June. As previously, we'd still like to hear from you at least once a week to see how you're getting on and ensure that everyone is OK. Photos and information will continue to be posted on the class blogs. As always, please be respectful of the work-life balance of staff and only contact them between 8:40 and 4:00pm on weekdays.

Class	Home Learning Contact	Email address
Year R	Mrs Culverhouse	sculverhouse@southtawton.org
Year 1	Miss Rowe	hrowe@southtawton.org
Year 2	Miss Bennett	cbennett@southtawton.org
Year 3	Miss Rowe	hrowe@southtawton.org
Year 4	Mrs Culverhouse	sculverhouse@southtawton.org
Year 5	Mrs Bonnett	sbonnett@southtawton.org
Year 6	Mrs Bonnett	sbonnett@southtawton.org

Very best wishes to you all,

Sarah Marvin