



# Birches First School

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Dear Parents

Now that we have welcomed a larger proportion of the school back to school, we look ahead towards the new academic year. A lot of questions remain regarding how a full return to school in September will work and we await further guidance from the Government/DfE on how this will be achieved. Understandably this is very dependent on the developing national picture and how things progress with further easing of restrictions.

As things stand we foresee three potential scenarios for September including;

- 1- Full reopening of schools to children in all year groups on a full time basis (classes of 30).
- 2- Partial reopening of schools to all year groups with children being offered a blend of education in school and from home (likely to be part time attendance.)
- 3- Locally enforced closures due to a second spike/confirmed outbreak.

As I'm sure you will appreciate it is difficult to finalise plans at this point, however, I would like to share with you the below teaching arrangements for next year's classes should a full return to school be possible.

Nursery –	Mrs J. Moge
Reception –	Mrs N. Stubbs
Year 1 –	Miss N. Owen (4 days) / Mrs E. Hine (1 day)
Year 2 –	Miss S. Hulme
Year 3 –	Mr D. Jones
Year 4 –	Mrs J. Ferretti (Mon/Tues/Weds am) & Mrs K. Cain (Weds pm/Thurs/Fri)

I hope that sharing these plans with you will help you to look ahead to the new school year with your child and start to talk to them about their new teacher (if this is the case). You will know when the right time to begin these conversations with them as this will be different for different children. As we are able to I will of course continue to update you with further information and plans.

Thank you once again for your continued support of the school.

Best wishes,

Mrs J Ferretti

Acting Headteacher