



WELLSPRINGS PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Years 2, 3, 4 and 5 children

Dear Parents/Carers,

As you may be aware, the Government has recently confirmed that schools will not be undertaking Phase 2 of the Wider Openings before the summer break, unless they have capacity. This was mainly due to the limited number of pupil spaces, as there can only be a maximum of 15 pupils in each classroom. We have over 150 children attending throughout the school week, with over two thirds of the eligible children attending, which is higher than the national and local average.

There is a very small number of spaces left in some of our Bubbles, before we hit a maximum figure of 15 pupils. A number of our Bubbles are already full, and have been for a couple of weeks. We cannot create additional Bubbles, as we have no additional teachers to run them, and we have currently assigned every staff member who is able to be in school, to a Bubble.

We had considered using the final period of the term to bring back Year 2, 3, 4 and 5 pupils by creating new Bubbles, and allowing Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 to finish early this term. That way ALL children would have had an opportunity to attend school this term. **However, the Government this week has insisted that schools cannot change the current provision for Reception, Year 1, Year 6 and Key worker pupils, in order for new pupils to attend.** This gives us limited flexibility to offer additional spaces.

Despite these circumstances, we still want to get a sense of how many parents/carers of Year 2, 3, 4 and 5 pupils, wish their children to return to school before the summer break. Based upon the take up of the existing year groups, we expect the demand to be greater than what we can actually offer.

If you would like your child to return to school before the summer break (**and they are in Year 2, 3, 4 and 5**) please could you confirm by emailing the Year group email address below, with your child's/children's name(s). If you have children in more than one of these year groups, a single email to one of the email address will be fine.



Please be aware, we will not reply back to these emails, they are just to inform us of your preference. **If you DO NOT wish for your child to attend, then it is not necessary to email us.**

Year group email addresses:

Year5-6@wellsprings.somerset.sch.uk- Year 5

Year2@wellsprings.somerset.sch.uk- Year 2

Year3-4@wellsprings.somerset.sch.uk- Year 3/4

Just to be clear, this does not mean we will offer your child a place, but will provide us with useful information. We will consider the number of responses we receive and update you as soon as we can.

Please could you email your confirmation, by Wednesday 25th June.

