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Dear Parents and Carers

Re. Changes to the organisation within the key worker hub

Due to the increasing numbers of key worker children accessing the hub, we have had to make changes to the arrangements that we had in place prior to half term.

At the start of our hub provision we had an average of 9 children in the hub on a daily basis. This increased to an average of 20 children prior to half term.

From the 8th June, we will have 57 names on our register of children who will be accessing the hub provision throughout the week.

As a result of this huge increase and in line with the DfE guidance, we have split the children in to currently three 'bubbles' with a fourth available depending on daily numbers.

All the children who access BOLA provision at some point during the week will be in one bubble.

We had initially tried to split the other children by age, however this hasn't been possible due to siblings having to be in the same bubble.

Each bubble will have a teacher and teaching assistant with them throughout the day.

Please help us by explaining to your children why these groups have had to change, that they may not be with children they have been with prior to half term and that the job that you do as a key worker means they need to be in school. We have also explained this to the children in school.

I must reiterate that if you do not need provision for your children on certain days, do not send them in to school. The hub is only for children of key workers and those identified as vulnerable by the school. I am aware that some employers are asking you to return to

work, however if your job is not a key worker job then we can not allocate a place for your child/ren at school.

Thank you all for your support during this difficult time.

Kind regards

Sarah Foster

Headteacher