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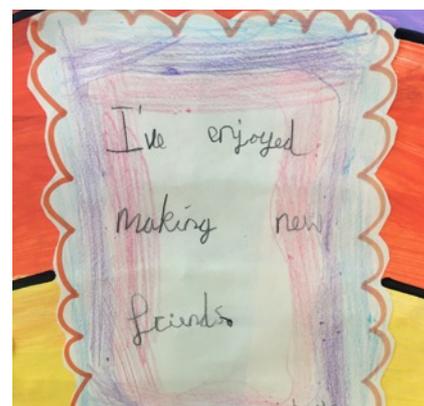
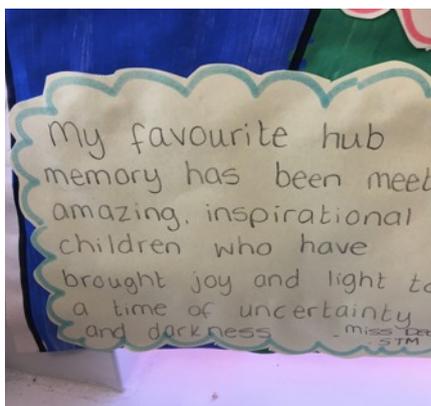
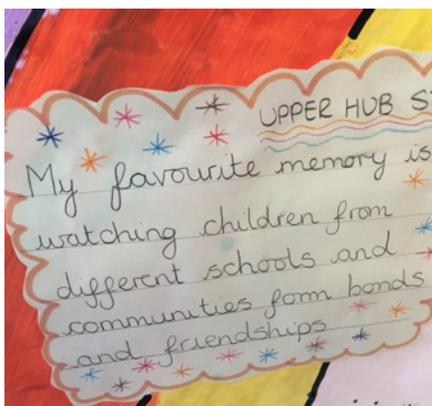


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## Some of our staff worked at the Primary and Early Years childcare OLI Hub



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**We have missed you all while you have been at home. Find out what staff have been involved in.**



# Welcome

**Dr. Lesley Curtis OBE**  
Headteacher/Head of Centre

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are all keeping well? We have put together this newsletter to keep in touch and for you to share with your child of what we have all been involved in while you have been at home. Thank you for sharing with us via Zoom, Twitter and our phone calls, all staff were pleased to keep in touch with you. Please see below the next steps of our opening from Monday 1st June – Friday 17th July 2020.

Following on from the recent announcement by the government and after the publication of further guidance by the Department for Education and Liverpool City Council, Everton Nursery School and Family Centre opened again on Monday 1st June 2020 for key worker and vulnerable children only.

We have reviewed our school building regarding all of our reopening risk assessments. Our plan is to open again in a gradual phased approach. This reopening of the Nursery School and Centre for Nurture is not the same as operating as a childcare hub. There is different guidance now to follow laid out by the government. Staff are working a week on at the school/centre and a week at home.

**KEY WORKER AND VULNERABLE CHILDREN:** The full list of key workers according to the government can be found at gov.uk. If you think your child comes under the key worker category and you wish your child to return to school then please e-mail [evertonecc@talk21.com](mailto:evertonecc@talk21.com) to confirm that you wish your child to attend school. Any child who has been attending the childcare OLI hub we have already planned for your child to attend so these parents do not need to email unless there are changes you wish to notify us of.

**SPENCER 3 (Centre for Nurture):** will also return on Monday 1st June but will only attend when the staff are working re 1st, 15th, 29th June weeks and 13th July week.

**NURSERY TWO CHILDREN:** (children leaving to Primary School in September 2020) will return from Monday 29th June in groups of 15 (called a bubble termed by the Department for Education) and attend part-time 8.45a.m. – 11.45a.m. or 12.30-3.30p.m. or two days re Monday/Tuesday or Wednesday/Thursday 9.15am-3.15pm I cannot promise you that we will keep your child socially distanced (2 metres away) from other children as this will be quite impossible for most children under the age of 6 years. Despite the measures we can put in place and instructions from staff, children will forget, children will want to play with other children and staff will want to comfort a child who is upset if they fall over in the outdoor play area. If you want school to keep your child socially distanced then **do not send your child into school at this time.**

**Please remember this is voluntary,** we will continue to provide home learning opportunities via our website and Home Learning Tabs.

I appreciate that there is a lot of publicity and focus on this in the news and on social media at present.

Thank you for your continued support.

Take Care.

Yours sincerely

Dr. Lesley Curtis OBE

Headteacher/Head of Centre

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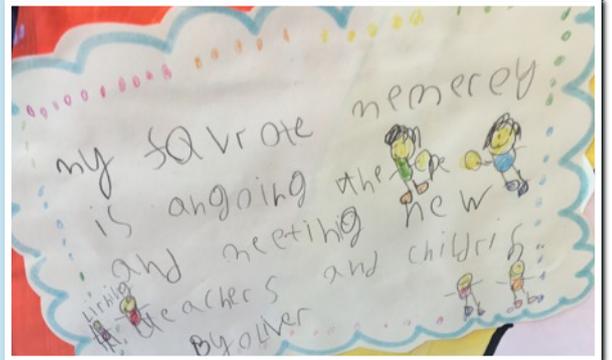


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Everton Children Centre

### Working at the OLI Hub



### Staff poems and activities



### Contact information

**Attention all parents!**

Download the ParentMail App for the best way to pick up school messages

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"Great App to compliment the web!  
It's so convenient to have all the ParentMail services in my pocket!"

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"Works perfectly! Texts, emails & newsletters all come through. I can even make appointments for parents' evening. Fantastic!"

★★★★★



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# Home Learning

## Home learning conversations with parents

We have been delighted by all the feedback we have received from parents and carers about our home learning programme from our home learning packs, our website with home learning information and various links to access, our Twitter and You Tube channel and our Zoom meetings.



A recurring comment that was made by parents was how valuable they consider this time spent with their children to be. One parent commented, "We're (parent and child) having daily conversations about gardening and baking techniques; I didn't even know he knew what this type of equipment was or what these ingredients were!" Another parent informed us that number and letter recognition had become a focus of the family's daily walk. This parent went on to explain that their child was recognising unfamiliar numbers such as 87 and 63 on objects such as buses and road signs.



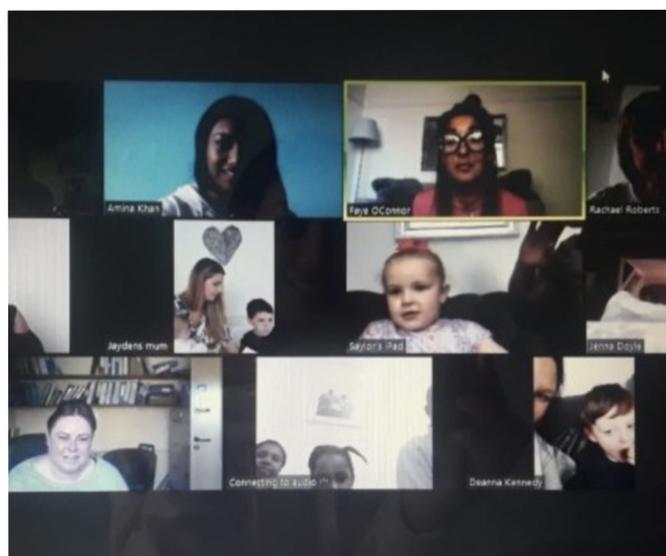
# Home Learning

The teachers have offered advice regarding specific subjects such as pencil grip and reciting numbers 1-20, to support the children in developing further in these areas. For those children leaving Everton in July the teachers discussed primary school places and ideas about transitions such as looking on the new school web sites etc. Some parents commented on their children's writing and learning to write their names using their name cards. Other parents shared taking their children out on daily bike rides to Everton Park and engaging in nature hunts and painting pinecones.



Parents in Spencer 3 (our Centre for Nurture with Reception and Year 1 children) sent in photographs and videos of their children completing activities and showed what they have been doing during their time at home. The WhatsApp group has worked well as not only did the staff keep up to date with the children's progress through the home learning pack but they also set new activities (daily/weekly) which included encouraging physical activity by sending in a 'spell your name P.E' activity.

Thank you to all our parents and carers who have really supported the home learning while the school and centre have been working in a different way. We will continue to provide a home learning package during the next seven weeks both online and hard copy information, for June and July 2020.



# Staff poems and activities

**Lois Rafferty** (Heyworth Early Childhood Educator)

This pandemic has only brought us closer together as a family each and every day. There has been tantrums, tears and most importantly lots of laughter.

Getting up early to feed the ducks in the park so no one is about to bother us has been enjoyable.

As it's been such a crazy time it's been a luxury to spend this precious time with my little family only having happy positive memories to share with the ones I love and care.



**Pauline Roberts** (Spencer 1 / 2 Classes Supervisory Assistant)

They said that the world was closing, they said we'd have time to spare,

I thought I'll binge on Netflix, get comfy and sit in my chair.

What happened there I ask myself, I think I've been misled,

I found so many things to do, no time to stay in my bed!

So many of those techno terms, I'd never heard before.

Like Podcast, Zoom and Streamline and yes so many more!

Furloughed, where has that come from? I haven't got a clue.

All these fancy words I've learned, to me are all brand new!

I won't mention all the cleaning, it's played havoc with my hands,

My oven's never been so clean, I have gleaming pots and pans.

"I've got a slot on Iceland" oh the look we'd give each other.

The food list's never ending, we'd feed the world and his old mother!

The loft cupboard's all in order, the photos all in files.

All the graves we know in Anfield, in there we'd walk for miles!

There's an hour for gym each morning, with Star jumps, planks, well that's fine.

Do these girls really know how old I am, or do they think I'm still 29!

My Hoola Hoop I have done so well, even though I say myself!

I've made it spin at such a speed, things went flying off the shelf.

I'm really missing my 2 little boys and I'm sure that they're missing me.

But there's one thing I won't be missing for sure is "What are we having for tea?"

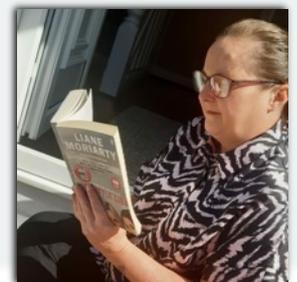
When all this hype is over, what tales we'll have to tell,

To all our lovely little girls, who's names will be "Chanelle!!!!"



**Lyndsey Gardner** (Spencer 1 / 3 Classes Higher Learning Teaching Assistant HLTA)

Over the past few weeks I've been keeping myself busy. When I'm not working (either from home or at school) or home schooling my daughter Nancy, I have been enjoying reading (as you will of seen from my photograph shared on learning page) and going for walks with my family of an evening. I've also been exercising (mainly Zumba) in my back yard and supporting vulnerable neighbour's with their shopping.



# Staff poems and activities

**Selma Kesedzic** (Cresswell 1 / 2 Classes Newly Qualified Teacher)

"Comparisons, from January to May, how life has changed in lockdown.

**January**

I make a coffee in the morning and quickly eat a piece of toast as I get ready for work. I walk to work and begin the day!

**May**

I make a coffee in my kitchen and pause to smell the aroma of the coffee beans, the heat from the mug warming my hands and think about my class who would have been getting ready for school, maybe some of them aren't even awake yet, life feels as though it has slowed down. I enjoy taking my time to sip at my coffee.



**January**

I welcome the children into a busy, bustling classroom, greeted by their smiles and hugs I feel happy, positive and ready to start the day.

**May**

I open my laptop ready to begin working from home, sometimes in my pyjamas and sometimes I get dressed, the freedom to choose is quite nice. But I miss my class. Keeping me company as I type away are the local cats who visit my garden, I watch them play and peer at me through the glass door.

**January**

It's dinner time, I quickly eat my sandwich before greeting the children in the dinner hall and enjoying our meal together. Their conversations and comments make me smile.

**May**

The weather has been lovely, luckily, so I take my sandwich and salad outside to eat al fresco, I enjoy this and the feel of the warm sun prickling my shoulders.

**January**

I greet our families at pick up and drop off times, we share their children's achievements and comment on their day, we share a lovely conversation together and we make the time to catch up.

**May**

I speak to our families on the phone to catch up during lockdown, it cannot replace face to face interactions but it is wonderful to hear them and their positivity during such a difficult time.

I am a newly qualified teacher and never imagined something like COVID-19 would deprive me of teaching in my first year.

To think we are all missing out on the summer term and missing seeing the children blossom into confident little boys and girls ready to take the next step in a new year or new school!

# Staff activities

While away from Everton Nursery School and Family Centre.



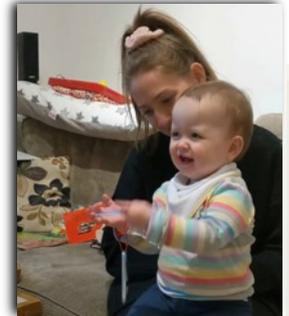
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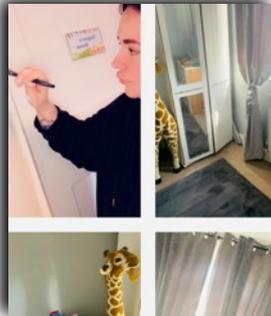
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# Staff activities

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Laura W



Lauren



Lesley



Lynne



Mary



Michelle



Paul



Paula



Pauline



Rebecca



Ruth



Stephen



Tom



Tony



Wendy

# Staff poems and activities

## **Kate Doyle** (Spencer 2 Teacher)

Lockdown has provided me with the time and opportunity to look more closely at the world around me. I have noticed parts of nature that I would normally overlook and I have enjoyed experimenting with photography to capture moments and places of beauty.

When the world moves too fast and you lose yourself in the chaos,

Introduce yourself to each colour of the sunset.

Reacquaint yourself with the earth beneath your feet.

Thank the air that surrounds you with every breath you take.

Find yourself in the appreciation of life.



## ***Christy Ann Martine***

## **Maria Edge** ( Heyworth Higher Learning Teaching Assistant HLTA)

Lock down started on 23rd March 2020. During this time I have been a hairdresser, dog groomer, student, educator, painter and decorator, gardener, party planner and children's entertainer as well as the many other roles I have on a daily basis. I have also learnt to stop, sit and be still.

Three weeks into lock down I lost my mum to Covid 19. I was devastated. I know that a lot of other people have also been affected by this and understand what they are going through.



This has made me appreciate the close family and friend network that I have surrounding me. Not everyone is so lucky. I have been out of my comfort zone a lot during the lock down but it has given me the time to reflect, remember and plan what I want to do when all of this is over.

## **Debbie McCue** (Kitchen Assistant)

Living through history

How our lives have changed.

The children missing friends, family and teachers.

Not being able to visit our loved ones.

Keeping social distancing.

Washing our hands more often.

Appreciate what we took for granted. Loosing loved ones.

Clapping for our NHS our hero's.

Knowing we will beat this one day.

Stay positive and we will get through this tough time together.

And children we will see our friends family and teachers soon.

Keep looking for the rainbow x



# Staff poems and activities

**Julie Antonio** (Cresswell 1 Early Childhood Educator)

The children waved goodbye at 3pm, I wondered when I would see them again.  
With a heavy heart and a tear in my eye, I found it hard to say goodbye.

Life was uncertain, life was unsure, As I watched our little ones walk out the door.  
We are asked to 'Stay Home' and 'Stay Safe,' we do this with a smile on our face.

Learning from home like never before, we do our best that is for sure.  
Learning new skills while we stay at home, taking our daily exercise, not far to roam.

Enjoying the sun, having lots of fun, making sure our learning is done.  
We dance, we sing, we learn, we play, trying new activities every day.

Back in the classroom soon we will be running outdoors, happy and free.

Missing our chats and singing a song, just remember this won't be for long.

'Stay Home' and 'Stay Safe'  
Soon we will be in our favourite place.



**Carol Forshaw** (Administrator)

There's a virus called Covid19  
Its took many lives-it is mean  
But the testing was slow  
The PPE didn't show  
Let's hope they soon find a Vaccine!

**Kelly Collins** (Heyworth Class Early Childhood Educator)

My time at home during lockdown has been very varied. I have been doing a lot of baking and learning/creating new recipes with my two boys. We started off with simple fairy cakes and have progressed to all kinds of delicious meals to enjoy as a family and have even created a little patch in the garden to attempt to grow some vegetables. As well as baking I have been planting new beautiful flowers in my garden and helping my boys keep up with their home schooling. Doing P.E in the living room with Joe Wicks and clapping for our carers every Thursday with the whole street has taught me just how important your health and staying safe really is.



# Staff poems and activities

**Rebecca Melia** (Cresswell 1 Teacher / Acting Assistant Headteacher)

When lock down of our country was announced,  
I had the fear of "missing out"  
But what I didn't consider was  
How much I would learn throughot.

The concept of spending time with my loved ones  
Realising who truly matters  
From a social distancing coffee at the gate  
To a "FaceTime" lunch with tables full of platters.

The books I read transported me  
To another world far from here  
Allowing me to think about better times  
My mind full, but always clear.

My garden has never looked greener  
New plants are growing with ease  
I spend hours out there admiring the beauty  
Allowing myself to embrace the warm summer breeze.

So when this pandemic is over  
And normality eventually restores  
I'm hoping as a nation we'll have more appreciation  
For the life we all cherish and adore.



**Maria Roberts** (Cook)

To all the children in Everton Nursery School.  
I hope you are safe and following the rule  
Staying at home following our school  
We are all at home working trying to stay cool  
Some people are lucky they are not on there own  
But take a thought for the ones who are alone  
I hope we can come through this smiling and bright  
Now wouldn't that be a lovely delight  
I want to get back to our kitchen  
And cook you some meals and see your  
smiling faces in our dinning room please



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# Children's Centre Update



**Paula Fagan**  
Children's Centre Co-ordinator

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## Children's Centre



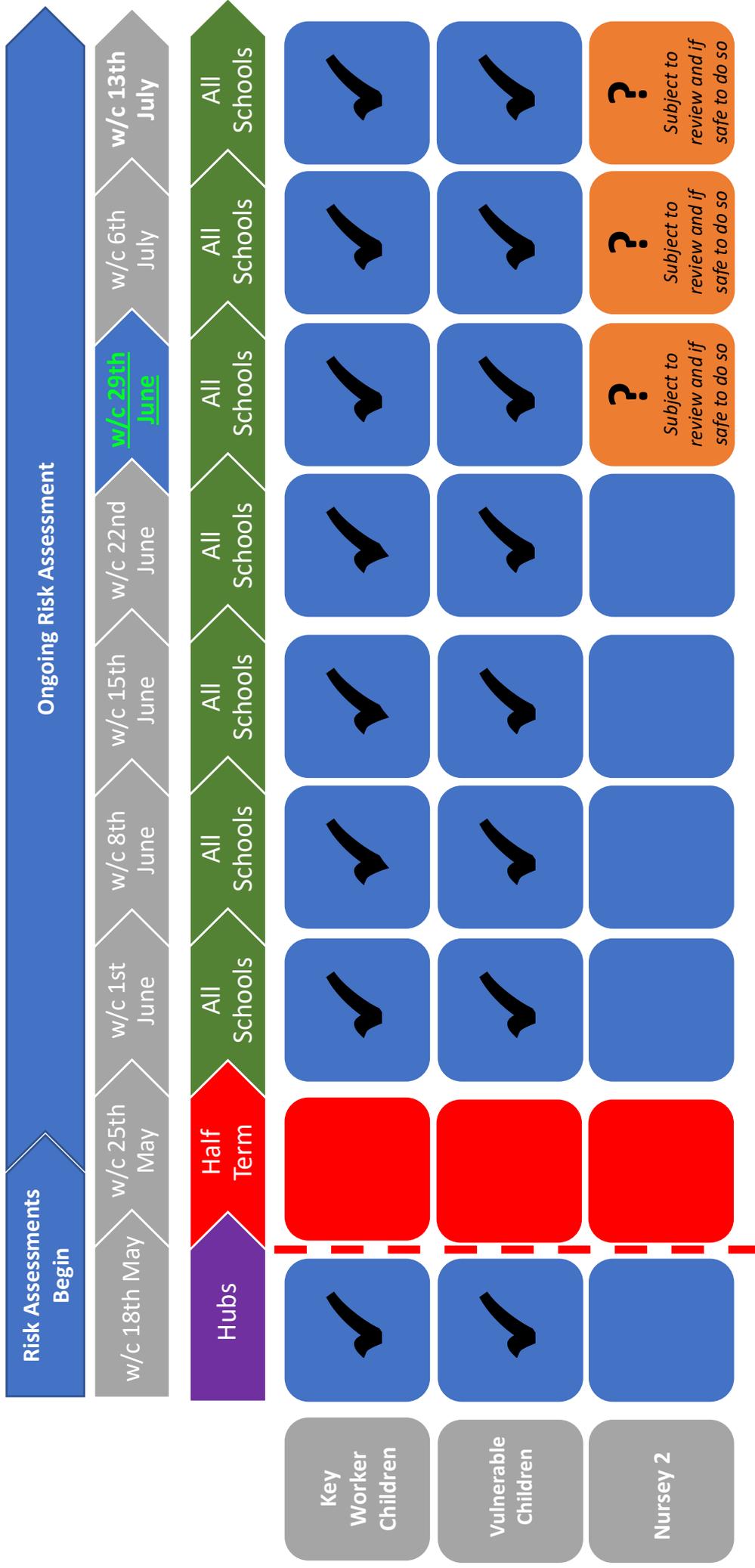
Since 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2020 the Children's Centre team have been working in a different way than usual and have been very busy distributing over 2100 free school meal vouchers to families living in L3, L5 and L6 and answering all kinds of inquiries regarding the vouchers.

Food parcels including nappies and baby milk have been delivered to families. Staff have been in regular contact over the phone with many families and we have attended many virtual meetings over skype and zoom.



Over the last few weeks the Children's Centre team have been busy making up packs of home learning resources which include, books, rhymes, craft materials, glue sticks and bubbles and these have been given to 52 families so far and we are continuing to make these up and distribute to the families living in our area.

# Next steps Liverpool Nursery Schools Position



22<sup>nd</sup> May  
Hubs Close  
Permanently

Everton Nursery School is aiming to open to the older Nursery Two children (children starting Primary School in September) during the 29<sup>th</sup> June week. We will be in contact via ParentMail to offer options to access your child's place over the next few weeks. We will contact Nursery One children (younger 3 and 2 year olds) in July to discuss how to return in September. In the meantime staff will be providing more home learning packs for all children over the next few weeks. Many thanks and take care.

## The most important symptoms of coronavirus



new and  
continuous cough

or



high  
temperature

or



loss of, or change in,  
your normal sense of  
taste or smell

If you have symptoms of coronavirus, you need to **self-isolate for 7 days**

If you live with someone who has symptoms, you need to **self-isolate for 14 days** from the day their symptoms started

**For most people coronavirus will be a mild illness.** However if you have any of the symptoms you should self-isolate at home

## Stop the spread of coronavirus



Wash your hands more  
often  
and for 20 seconds



Use soap and water or a hand sanitiser when you:

- Get home or into work
- Blow your nose, sneeze or cough
- Eat or handle food

Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue or your sleeve (not your hands) when you cough or sneeze and throw the tissue away straight away



Supervise young children to ensure they wash their hands more often than usual



Posters and lesson plans on general hand hygiene can be found on the eBug website



Clean and disinfect regularly touched objects and surfaces more often than usual using your standard cleaning products



Staff, young people and children should stay at home if they are unwell with a new, continuous cough or a high temperature or loss of, or change in, normal sense of taste or smell to avoid spreading infection to others

If staff, young people or children become unwell with any of the coronavirus symptoms on site, they should be sent home

We are asking schools, colleges, nurseries, childminders and other registered childcare settings to remain open for children of critical workers and vulnerable children where they can