



11th May 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Re: possible reopening of school to more pupils in June

We know will have seen lots of discussion in the news today that schools may reopen on 1 June to reception, year 1 and year 6 pupils **if** the government thinks it's safe then.

We're waiting for further guidance and clarification from the government right now, which will hopefully help us create an action plan for our phased reopening. We'll share this with you as soon as possible so you know what the school's reopening will look like in practice.

It's a very unsettling time for us all, but rest assured that we're going to be doing everything we can to make sure we're ready to receive these year groups if it's safe for our school to reopen in the coming weeks.

However, we're also not going to be pressuring anyone to send their children to school, since you know your children and personal situation best. We'll keep you updated with all our preparations for making sure the school is as safe as possible, so you can make an informed decision.

In the meantime, the school is still open **only** for vulnerable pupils and the children of critical workers. We know some employers will be encouraging you to return to work, but we're not in a position right now to extend places to other children until we receive further government guidance.

Year 6 Statutory Tests (SATS) This week should have been the Statutory Tests for our Year 6 pupils. Today would have been the first day, arriving at school early, enjoying snacks and brain gym with class mates, ready to take tests that the children have been working towards all year. I am sure many children from Year 6 will be quite happy to be missing them, equally, I know that we have lots of disappointed children who wanted to prove how much progress they have made and they take a lot pride in that. We will be thinking of all our Year 6 children this week in what will be a very unusual and uncertain time for them all at home. We are very proud of them and know that they would have all fulfilled their potential. We will keep you informed every step of the way regarding transition arrangements and possibility of returning to school before the Summer Holidays.

We'd like to thank you for your continuous support in helping your child learn from home. We'll need to keep going with this for a while yet, so please do continue to do what you can and stay in touch with us about how your child is doing.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Warm regards,

Donna Lee
Head Teacher

