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Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Possible reopening of school to more pupils in June

We know, that like us, you will have seen and heard in the news lots of talk about schools possibly reopening to children in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 from June 1st **at the earliest**, and then a desire to get all primary year groups back into school for the final month of the Summer Term. So, I am writing to update you on how we are responding to the latest news.

As a school, we have drafted some plans for the possible phased return of Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 in smaller groups for some time after half term. These plans take into account the need to continue to have provision for key worker children, as we have been doing since the start of lockdown, as well as keeping everyone as safe as possible and to play our part in avoiding a second spike. We have been phoning the families of these year groups to explain and find out their views.

However, there is ever evolving guidance and feedback from government, the local authority, teaching unions, scientists, the Department for Education and national parent groups. Therefore, like all other schools, we are waiting for further guidance and clarification before finalising our plans.

What happens with children starting to come back to school is dependent on the continued decrease of virus infection rates and national data on the effectiveness of measures in place to control it as well as what additional hygiene, social distancing and safe staffing can be put into place in each setting.

All this means we do not know when we will be able to give you greater details, but please be assured that whatever our final plan looks like, it will have the safety of children and staff at its forefront.

Please keep looking at our website for further updates and in the meantime stay well and safe.

Best wishes,

Charlotte Haynes

Parents are welcome in our school