

13th May 2020

Dear Parents & Carers

At the weekend the Prime Minister shared his Recovery Strategy for the country and as part of that, the plans to re-open primary schools to a number of year groups. I am sure you will be aware of the initial details.

The government have been very clear in stressing that this reopening of schools would only happen if they believe it is safe to do so and on June 1<sup>st</sup> at the earliest.

I wanted to write to you all to reassure you and promise that;

- The safety of our pupils, parents and staff is of the utmost importance to us and this will be at the heart of any plans that we develop.
- We are committed to ensuring the welfare and well-being of all pupils and staff.
- We will make sure our plans are developed carefully and sensibly taking into consideration all advice and guidance that is available to us.
- Our schools will keep you informed with up to date information.

As a trust team we are already working very hard to plan and organise for this re-opening. I cannot say enough how brilliant all of your senior leaders in our schools have been and continue to be throughout this time.

I really look forward to the day when all children can return to school in the meantime please be assured once again that safety is our main priority coupled with the well-being of all of our pupils.

The Department for Education has published some guidance for parents and carers that you may be interested in you can find this at the following address;

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers/reopening-schools-and-other-educational-settings-from-1-june>

Please keep safe and thank you all for everything you have done to support our schools at this challenging time.

Kind regards

*Nick*



