

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you and your family are well during these very strange times. Thankfully, the weather has been mostly good today.

You may have read newspaper reports, browsed websites or watched the news since yesterday evening, when the Department for Education produced detailed guidance on how the government plans to reopen schools.

Leaders and governors have today been examining this documentation and will continue to do so over the coming days and I will write to you with my thoughts when we have come up with an initial plan. I recognise that some of you may feel nervous about returning to school. I understand this. We are working hard to ensure we create plans which reassure you and ensure the safety of our community (pupil, staff and wider community) is paramount.

Over the coming days we will:

- gain a better understanding of the details of the government's plan
- seek a clear picture of the scientific evidence the government has based this plan on
- listen and understand the views of our community
- get helpful advice to all members of our wider community as we understand more.

Over the next few days it is inevitable that we will all have a range of questions. At some point, I will try to answer them to the best of my ability. At this point I am not in a position to be able to answer the questions you may have. We are waiting to receive more information about what this announcement means for our school. In the short-term, nothing has changed. We continue to provide childcare for those families who need us.

It is our intention to explore all avenues, to ensure that in time, a phased return of pupils can happen in a SAFE, SECURE and HEALTHY environment for all within our community.

On behalf of the whole school community, take care

Nick Conway

