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Letter to parents Thursday May 21st 2020

Dear Parents,

I hope everyone is well and staying safe at home.

Return to School. I have now met with governors and senior leaders to try to devise a plan to re-admit additional year groups into school. This has proved incredibly challenging due to the guidance we have been issued with and the nature of what we are dealing with. The respective year groups will all be receiving separate letters explaining how everything is going to work. We will be having staggered start times, smaller classes, certain classes on certain days, extensive cleaning and restricted play/lunch times. I mentioned last week that everyone's safety has been and always will be my number one priority; the situation we all find ourselves in has challenged this considerably.

The government has decided that it will inform schools on May 28th as to whether or not it will be safe to open school to additional numbers. Doing this will only give school a couple of days to get everything prepared and ready for any extra children. **As a result, school will not be admitting any additional children (other than the key worker children) during the week beginning June 1st.** This will afford us some additional time to get everything we need to do in place to begin opening up school.

The intention is for Y6 to come back first (w/b June 8th) followed by Reception and Y1 (w/b June 15th) with Nursery slightly later. I will write to Y6, Y1 and Reception parents shortly with the specific details about how this is going to work.

No families will be fined/sanctioned for not sending their children back to school as these are indeed unprecedented times. If you feel it is too soon to send your child/children back to school then please keep them at home engaging with our online learning resources via the school website. School will not be the same as we all knew it for some time, but hopefully sooner rather than later everyone can return full time and school life can begin again.

I want to thank the senior team and governors for their unstinting support and help over the past few weeks, never has it been more appreciated.

Take care and stay safe.

M Aldred Head teacher

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