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Dear Parents,

I'm sure after the Prime Minister's statement last night, there will be lots of questions you have. The truth is, we also have lots of questions too and need more clarification from the Government. We have not received any further information to support us with this new plan to start a phased reopening of some year groups. We expect we will receive further information from the Department for Education shortly, hopefully with some clarification. We will need clear guidance to plan how it is possible to social distance in schools and keep our children, teachers and families safe as well as how we might start to phase groups of children returning and what this looks like.

Please be assured there is no way we will open until we are 100% prepared.

At the moment, there is no change to the guidance. We will continue to provide care for those parents whose work is critical to the COVID-19 response, those with Education, Health and care plans and vulnerable children. The message is still clear for those that can be safely cared for at home, that is where they should remain. As always, we will keep you fully informed but for now, please try not to worry. Our plan for now is to continue to provide activities for learning at home, keep contact with you, our families and continue to support each other in these very difficult and uncertain times.

We miss you all very much and hope that you are keeping safe and well,

On behalf of myself and the staff our very best wishes,

Helen Wright,

Executive Head Teacher