

May 20th 2020

Dear Parents

Phased Return Proposals - June 1st

Thank you for your patience this past week; whilst some further information and guidance have become available since the Government announcement, there continues to be a great deal of speculation and concern over the proposed phased return to school beginning on Monday 1st June.

The Governors, staff and I have communicated at length to review our procedures and consider new measures in making any return to school as safe as possible for our community. Understandably we can make no guarantees and all we can strive to do is reduce risk in the interests of some normality by providing a clean but cautious learning environment.

The attached document outlines the logistics of what we are proposing to offer from June 1st if Government conditions are met to allow a further relaxing of the current lockdown requirements. In connection with this document, we are providing a short online survey via the link below and ask that affected parents provide some comment on how you feel about the current situation, the measures we are taking and ultimately if you are content to send your child back to school in the coming weeks.

Please know that nothing would make the staff happier than to return to normal school life as soon as possible but, as we can see regularly in the media, a decision to return to school is extremely contentious. The school leadership and I continue to make the best decisions we can with what we know at any given point but your children's health and well-being, even at the cost of their learning, comes first.

Please could I ask EYFS, Year 1 & Year 6 parents to complete the survey at the following link by the end of Friday 22nd May so that we can discuss and respond to any outcomes the following week in preparation for what might happen come June 1st; your responses are vital in planning our provision.

https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/PhasedReturnJune1

By sharing our plans with all year groups we hope this will provide some insight into the measures we are taking and could then apply, where possible, to further year groups returning to school in the future. At that stage we will invite the same indications and comments from our other school families but thank you for your patience in the meantime.

Thank you for all your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely

Mr M Tomson Headteacher

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." Philippians 4:13