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Dear Parents and Carers,

Information Regarding School Reopening

Please let me start by saying that I hope you and your families are all safe and well, this crisis is likely to continue for some time but as a team we can work together to help each other through this.

It is my wish to be as transparent as possible with you, with regards to our current position following the announcement made by the Prime Minister regarding schools on Sunday and since then, the updates provided by the Department for Education. Every day we are receiving more information about the expectations for educational settings from 1st June and currently this information is arriving with us at the same time as it is arriving with you. As a result, we are considering several options in our planning, which is at a very early stage.

We are currently focused on undertaking the required risk assessments to ensure the safety of staff and students.

I understand the frustration this may cause because you, like all of us, want concrete answers and normality as soon as possible but currently we are not able to provide you with either of these. However, please be assured that as a school, the education of your child is still very much the priority and whilst we are unable to see pupils face to face, we will continue to provide resources to support their learning at home.

Whilst the school has been closed to most, we have continued to provide school provision for vulnerable and 'critical worker' pupils. The provision has been excellent, and I would like to thank my colleagues who have helped staff this over the past few months. As you will know from the recent letter from Miss Mary Davies, CEO of the Trust, there is no in school provision, in any trust schools, over the May half term.

I will write to you as soon as possible with further information regarding our plans as we carefully consider the gradual wider opening of schools at some point in the future.

Kind regards and stay safe.

Yours sincerely

**Richard Ferris
Headteacher**