Wednesday 13th May 2020

Dear parents,

We are currently planning for the safe return of children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 in response to the information provided in Government guidelines over recent days. These guidelines state that children who could be in school, should be in school. However, we understand that there might be specific circumstances that mean families wish to keep their children at home for the time being. The government has made it clear that families will not be fined for keeping their children at home during this school year.

School will continue to provide work for children at home for all year groups and food vouchers will still be provided for families entitled to them. All Reception and Year 1 children returning to school will be entitled to a school meal daily under the Universal entitlement scheme. School meals can be provided for Year 6 children either on a paid basis or through the free school meals scheme.

Our plans include the splitting of classes into smaller groups, to be led by teachers and if necessary support staff. We therefore need to understand whether or not you intend to send your child back to school when it reopens to these year groups. You will receive a phone call from school in order to gather the information below:

- Do you plan to send your child back to school from 1st June (at the earliest)?
- If not, what is the reason for your decision to keep your child at home?
- If yes, will your child need a school dinner or will they bring a packed lunch?
- (Year 6 children only) Will an adult be dropping and collecting your child at school or will they bring themselves?

We will keep you informed of any information as our plans develop further.

Stay safe and take care of each other!

Mrs G Bowser