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Dear Parent or Carer

Last night the East Riding of Yorkshire council released a statement to the press and sent information to their schools advising them that they should defer reopening until the 8th June. Following consultation with our governors and other local headteacher's, we are following this recommendation and will not re-open until Monday 8th June.

"Whilst the cautious increase in pupil numbers is an individual schools decision, East Riding of Yorkshire Council's advice is that schools should consider deferring the implementation of any wider opening until at least the 8th June if the announcement made is for the phased return to commence from 1st June. We strongly advise schools to use this time to finalise their plans and preparations in light of any updated government guidance and Public Health advice. We are however, asking schools to maintain their current provision of childcare for critical key worker children, those with an assigned social worker or children with an EHCP. The Local authority will be publishing a press statement later today to explain this advice and communicate with parents."

I am sorry that this decision will impact on several parents from nursery, reception, year 1 and year 6 who were expecting to send their children back to school on Monday 1st June, but I hope that they understand that it is about the safety of our school family. The school will use this extra time wisely making sure we have everything in place for a safe reopening.

The school will still be open for the children of key workers as we have been during this whole period. Please can key worker parent's contact the office and let Mrs Smith know about your attendance schedule for the week commencing 1st June.

We are looking forward to reopening on the 8th and I will be sending out a detailed letter during the week of the 1st of June to explain all of our new drop off and pick up routines that will be in place when the school re-opens.

Some parents from the nursery, reception, year 1 and year 6 who were not thinking about sending their children to school may over the coming weeks have changed their minds. If you have children in these key returning groups and you would like them to attend (on a regular full-time basis) please contact the school to let us know.

With my kindest regards

Robert Palmer
Headteacher

