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Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you are well and continuing to keep yourselves and families safe during this difficult time.

Over the past weeks we have been working tirelessly to ensure that school is as safe and secure an environment as is possible for the return of your children. We have put together an extensive set of measures following recommendations and guidance from current government advice, health and safety legislation and the local authority. This has involved a huge array of changes to the everyday running of the school taking into account the risks posed by this highly infectious disease.

However, yesterday we were advised by the local authority that we are not yet in a position to re-open to children other than those currently attending as children of key workers.

We appreciate that this decision will cause some disruption and anxiety. We are desperate to welcome the children back to school, but feel confident that you will agree that this decision has been made in the best interests of everyone's safety. The safety of our children, staff and the wider community are central to our ethos as a school.

We will continue to work towards re-opening the school to Year 1, Year 6 and Reception as soon as is possible and will keep you informed as developments arise. Home learning will continue to be available for pupils on-line, updated daily, and we encourage you to take advantage of this.

On behalf of the Governing Body, staff and myself, I offer you my sincere thanks for your support and patience during this most challenging time.

Yours sincerely

Ms. S. Geddis
Head Teacher



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