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Dear Parents and Carers,

Further to my letter of 11.5.20 I can now tell you that, as instructed by the government, we are planning on how we can begin to re-open school to children in Reception and Year 1. This will be from the beginning of the next half term, Tuesday 2nd June, at the earliest. We will still be providing places for the children of key workers and those classed as vulnerable.

Understandably, you will have many questions about sending your child back to school. We have received guidance on how we should approach this (*Coronavirus* (*COVID-19*): implementing protective measures in education and childcare settings DfE 11th May 2020) and our primary concern is how we can best implement these measures to ensure the welfare of children and staff.

To assist us in our planning process it would help us if we knew how many children will be coming back to school. If your child is in Reception, Year One or you are eligible for a key worker place then please could you email us by Friday 15th May to let us know whether or not you will be sending your child to school. We will assume that those children who are already attending school will continue to do so. Please note that you will not receive a fine if you decide not to send your child to school.

I know that those of you with children in Year 5 will have concerns about their transition to Middle School and how this will be managed. We are working closely with the other schools in the Shelley Pyramid on how to address this. We will let you have more information as soon as we can.

Finally, I know that for the majority of you school will not be open for your child just yet. We will continue to support you with guidance and resources for home learning until such a time as they can come back to school.

We look forward to seeing you all again as soon as possible.

Take care and stay safe.

Maggie