



St Benedict's Primary School

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Dear Parents,

We hope you and your families are all safe and well at this difficult time. We wanted to update you on our plans to move towards your children returning to school.

As you know, the Government has decided that schools should start to plan to have some pupils back before the summer holidays. We have been working very hard to make sure that our school is as safe as it can be for your child and our parents and staff. We are putting lots of measures into place which we will share with you when your child is invited to return.

We are hoping to be able to invite **some** Reception and Year One back from 8th June. **ONLY A FEW CHILDREN WILL BE ATTENDING IN THE FIRST WEEK. Please do not bring your child to school before we have given you a date and a time to do so.** We will contact you from 3rd June if your child is returning and will explain to you how you will need to drop your child off.

We will only be open from Monday to Thursday and it will be a shorter day. This will allow us to ensure we can deep clean the school on Friday to keep all of our community safe. If your child is coming back, we will give you support in how to prepare your child for a very different school from the one they remember.

We are planning to open for some Nursery children from 15th June – again, we will contact you if your child is returning.

We hope to begin to have more Reception and Year One children back after this time. We know many of you have said you wish to keep your child at home at the present time, which we fully understand and respect. No parent will receive a fine for doing so. We want you to have full confidence in what we do and we will continue to share our plans with you.

AT THE PRESENT TIME, YEAR 2, YEAR 3 AND YEAR 4 ARE NOT RETURNING. The Government will inform us when they think it is safe for these year groups to return. The school will continue to provide you with learning resources and phone calls to support you with your home learning.

Next week is half term and we would like to wish all of our families who are celebrating Eid Mubarak. Please stay safe and follow the guidelines – we hope to see you all before too long.

With very best wishes,

Mrs Williams

