



STEETON PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Following the announcement from the Prime Minister on Sunday, that schools may reopen on 1 June to Reception, year 1 and year 6 pupils **if the government thinks it's safe**. I know that you will have lots of questions about the next steps for Steeton Primary School.

All of us want to get more pupils back into school as soon as it is safe to do so. All our School staff have devoted their lives and careers to the care and education of our young people and we do not want to see our classrooms empty for a day longer than they need to be. However, the first priority has to be the safety of everyone in the school community.

At the moment we are waiting for further guidance and clarification from the government and the Local Authority, which will hopefully help us create an action plan for our phased reopening. We'll share this with you as soon as possible so you know what the school's reopening will look like in practice.

It's a very unsettling time for us all, but rest assured that we're going to be doing everything we can to make sure we're ready to receive these year groups if it's safe for our school to reopen in the coming weeks.

However, we're also not going to be pressuring anyone to send their children to school, since you know your children and personal situation best. We'll keep you updated with all our preparations for making sure the school is as safe as possible, so you can make an informed decision.

In the short-term, nothing has changed; we will provide further information in the coming days and weeks once we are able to do so. We will continue to provide care for those whose parents work is critical to the COVID-19 response and for our most vulnerable children.

I am sending a separate message and a questionnaire to parents who have children in years Reception, Yr 1 and Yr 6. This is to gauge some idea of the numbers of children we would expect back in the first instance.

Please be reassured that we will not reopen until we are 100% prepared.

Please could I request that you don't message teachers with questions about reopening as they will not yet have the answers.

We'd like to thank you for your continuous support in helping your child learn from home. We'll need to keep going with this for a while yet, so please do continue to do what you can and stay in touch with us about how your child is doing.

As always I am available if you have any other concerns on my email:
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Kind Regards

Kevin Wheeler
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