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Dear Parents and Carers

Response to Prime Minister Announcement of 10 May 2020

Our school communities have been through a very challenging and uncertain time over the last few weeks, and I fully appreciate that many of you remain uncertain around when children will be returning to school and whether or not it is safe to do so. Some of you are working from home in very difficult circumstances, some of you will be asked to return to work over the coming days, and some of you are unable to work at all. At this stage, any decision that NPAT makes will be done so with caution, clarity and care for every child, staff member and parent. You may have heard the Prime Minister indicating in his speech last night that the government **may** be in a position to implement a **phased** reopening of schools from 1 June, starting with pupils in Reception, Year One and Year Six. Whilst having fully populated schools and functioning communities is what we would all like to see, our first priority has to be the safety of everyone within our schools. We therefore now await further information and guidance from the Government about what this phased reopening means for our schools.

In the short term therefore nothing has changed. We will still be open for vulnerable children and for the children of key workers only. I will provide you with further information in the coming days and weeks once I am in a position to do so. The Prime Minister has said that more details will be provided later today, and these will take time for us to read, understand and respond to. In the meantime, please bear with us as we try to resolve this complicated situation and we will be in touch with further information as soon as we are able.

Thank you all so much for your continued support and understanding. Stay safe, stay alert, save lives.

Kind regards

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