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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope this letter finds you and your families well during this very challenging time.

No doubt many of you will have been watching the Prime Minister's address to the nation on Sunday evening, which referred to some potential plans by the government to begin re-opening schools. At this stage, it was outlined that there are plans to potentially consider re-opening primary schools as from June 1<sup>st</sup>, with a phased return, beginning with children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 6. It was explained that the timing of this will be continually reviewed by the government.

I want to reassure you that any return to school, whenever that may be, will be guided first and foremost by safety considerations for the whole school community. At this stage, we are not in a position to confirm any date to re-open.

Like us, I expect that you will probably have some questions about the safest way forward and the next steps. We heard the announcement only yesterday as you did, so the Governors and I are now asking for more information and wait to hear back from government about what this means for our federation of schools.

I understand that this is a very tough time of mixed feelings. Some of you will want your children in school safely as soon as possible, others will be concerned about this and feel very unsure. I completely understand this. We want nothing more than to have all our wonderful children back together again, but we know we can't do that yet. Realistically, I feel it will be some time before we operate as fully functioning schools again.

I would like to thank you for your patience and your continued support. We will provide further information in the coming days and weeks, just as soon as we can, once we are in a position to do so.

Please get in touch if you have any questions, comments, concerns or need more help with home-learning. We are here to support you.

With very best wishes,

Judith Jones

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