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Dear Parents/Guardians,

I'm sure you have seen the news that schools will be re-opening on June 1st, initially for reception, year 1 and year 6 pupils. Depending on the situation with regard to the rate of infection, it is an ambition that other year groups will be able to return before the end of the summer term. We are currently working our way through the guidance on this which came through last night, to help us create an action plan for phased re-opening. By returning pupils gradually, the government believe they can initially reduce the number of children and young people in classrooms compared to usual. They expect schools to put protective measures in place to reduce risks such as: regular handwashing, minimising contacts and mixing - including social distancing and setting up 'bubbles' of children and staff, increased cleaning, reducing 'pinch points' (such as parents dropping children off at the start and pick up end of day), staggered break times/lunchtimes, and utilising outdoor space. Although, as you know, social distancing with the younger children in particular will be virtually impossible. The structure and organization of the day will be very different to how it was before the closure.

Clearly the health and safety of both the pupils and staff is at the forefront of our minds and will underpin our approach to the children's return, but I will let you know well in advance what the re-opening will look like in practice. In the meantime, the school remains open for the children of key workers.

I know these continue to be unsettling times for everyone, but I thank you all for the continued support in helping your children learn from home. We will need to keep going with this for a while yet and of course, the school staff will continue to provide children with a framework on the school class web pages and be available for contact via email.

You can also contact school using admin@waverton.cheshire.sch.uk

I will be in touch again soon with more detail around the proposals for re-opening the school.

Yours sincerely,

SJ Talbot

Simon Talbot
Head Teacher