



Update Letter

11th May 2020

Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,

We hope you and your families remain safe and well. I didn't send the usual Friday Mill update last week, as we were waiting to see what the Prime Minister announced last night.

The Prime Minister's announcement about schools reopening:

I am sure that you are aware that in his Sunday announcement the Prime Minister informed us of the possibility of Primary schools reopening for Reception and Years 1 and 6 after the first of June. At this stage, we are awaiting further guidance from the DfE before we can plan for our school to partially reopen. We will let you know as soon as we know more. Rest assured, as I have said in our previous updates, ensuring that your children remain safe and well, and staff can work safely will be our paramount concern.

The full transcript of the announcement can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/pm-address-to-the-nation-on-coronavirus-10-may-2020>

Since the start of lockdown, school has remained open to vulnerable pupils and the children of key workers, where parents can make no other arrangements. As a reminder, the Government has defined key (or critical) workers. A list of those included can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintaining-educational-provision/guidance-for-schools-colleges-and-local-authorities-on-maintaining-educational-provision>

Developing home learning

This week and next, we will be launching our 'Google classrooms' online. Lots of you have said that although you have been accessing our year group Google sites, you would like a bit more feedback from teachers. Google classrooms will help us do that and we hope it makes learning feel more interactive. More information on this will be coming out to you soon. We will still be checking in with you by phone to see how you're getting on and using Marvellous Me to keep in touch too.

Thank you for your continued support and I will update you further as soon as I am able.

Yours sincerely

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