

Dear All,

Happy SATs Week Year 6!

I hope that you have all managed to stay safe since my last correspondence with you and have managed to enjoy some of the better weather. I also hope that you are all coping well at home and know that you can get in touch whenever you need to for any help or support that we may be able to give under the Governments directives. It continues to be really heartening to see all the efforts that the children (and yourselves) are making towards their work and google classroom. **Thank you.**

School has remained 'open' since the Government 'closed' schools and has had roughly 7% of pupils utilising us as a child care space.

By now you will have heard the Government's announcement regarding some school year groups possibly beginning to return from 1 June 2020 if certain conditions are met. The Prime Minister announced that, "In step two – at the earliest by June 1 – after half term – we believe we may be in a position to begin the phased reopening of shops and to get primary pupils back into schools, in stages, beginning with Reception, Year 1 and Year 6. Our ambition is that secondary pupils facing exams next year will get at least some time with their teachers before the holidays. And we will shortly be setting out detailed guidance on how to make it work in schools and shops and on transport."

All we **definitely** know so far is that this means that it is only the children who are currently eligible to attend school that should do so until the Government announces otherwise. The children who are currently eligible to attend schools are:

- key worker children
- Children who are identified as being vulnerable according to the definitions circulated by both the Government and Derbyshire County Council.

Derbyshire County Council have told us today that they are currently awaiting very clear and comprehensive Government guidance since many factors are interrelated, such as any refreshed national guidance about workplace PPE/transport/social distancing/ tracking and tracing etc. All of this guidance is required before we can relate that to schools and learning providers. Once the Government's guidance has been published, Derbyshire County Council will review this and liaise with the DfE and other agencies before they issue more detailed information to us.

Obviously, I will update you all as soon as there is more detailed and constructive news to give you. Keep doing the excellent work that you are all doing and stay extremely safe.