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Dear Parents & Carers,

I trust you and yours are well and keeping safe in these difficult times.

The purpose of this letter is to give parents and carers an update in the light of the Prime Minister's recent announcement at the weekend. Schools have been advised that the first phase of schools/academies being allowed to reopen will focus on the nation's primaries from June 1st 2020; specifically, children in Nursery, Reception and Year 1 classes.

Therefore, Armfield Academy will be working hard in the interim to prepare the school for these three cohorts; ready to welcome our young people back in a phased manner from June 1st 2020, should the national conditions allow. We have received comprehensive advice and guidance from the Department of Education on what needs to be done to ensure our school is a safe working environment, with all the appropriate health and safety measures firmly in place enabling our children to learn, staff to work and parents to come and go as required.

Parents and carers will fully appreciate that when the school does reopen there will be significant changes to how we operate on a day-to-day basis. Once we have made the necessary adjustments and put all the changes in place, I will write to you again with clear guidance on how Armfield will operate and what the day-to-day reality will look like.

Take care and stay safe,

Best wishes,

Mark Kilmurray Headteacher



