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Dear Parents/Carers,

1st June - Phased Re-opening of Schools

Change of places offer after local authority advice.

Further to my earlier letters in May and the directive from Government to begin planning for a phased reopening of schools beyond the current childcare provision from 1st June, I have now received notice from the Local Authority which says that the DFE guidance to schools lacks clarity and therefore we have taken the decision, along with all primary schools in the Five Pits cluster to delay the phased return plans until a later date.

We had finalised our plans and were looking forward to seeing more children in school after the Spring Bank holiday. However, this instruction comes as the Local Authority feels that a delay to reopening would allow us all to have more certainty about the safety of our school community.

I know that this will affect many of your plans for returning to work and the frustration and difficulties this brings. You have our assurances that we have made all our preparations, including changes to our school environment and detailed risk assessments, so that when we get a new date to begin our phased reopening, it will be safe to do so.

We will continue to have our Critical Workers' children in school. If you are a Critical Worker and your situation has changed and you now need childcare, please send an email to k.flint@morton.derbyshire.sch.uk, detailing your role, your employer's name and address and the days and times you require childcare. I will review our numbers and get back to you if we can offer any support. We will need proof of eligibility for this.

Once again, I need to say a huge thank you for all your support and patience. Your efforts with home learning have been fantastic! Heads up everyone and keep up the great work, hopefully for just a little bit longer. Enjoy the extra time this is giving you with your children – they will never forget their time with you in LOCKDOWN!

I will be back in touch as soon as I have any further information for you. Stay safe!

Yours sincerely

KEVIN FLINT
Headteacher