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Dear Parents,

Further to my letter of 18th May, the governing body and senior staff have now met online to discuss the school's planning in response to the government's ambition for wider opening after half term.

Thank you to everyone who completed the questionnaire, and for the in depth responses and comments.

As you'll be aware, the final decision from the government on that wider opening will not be made until 28th May. This does not leave sufficient time to make the necessary arrangements in school to ensure the safest possible environment from 2nd June. Therefore, we have taken the decision to continue with the current limited opening for the first week of June, i.e. only children who are currently attending, allowing time during that week for staff to plan for the following week.

As you will see from the attached pie charts, survey views were mixed, with only c12% of you feeling happy about sending your child back to school yet c47% feeling it was something you would either want to or have to do.

Most notably, the survey revealed that many of you (approximately 33% of the total school roll, i.e. approximately 80 children) are now seeking a place for your child based on your employment. Therefore, whilst from the 8th June, the school is hoping to extend its provision, any decisions to open further must be based firmly on thorough risk assessments, and trying to make school as "Covid-19 secure" as possible.

As such, the governing body have concluded that it will only be possible to extend our opening for the most vulnerable children and a limited numbers of key worker children. Given the restrictions of the site and the increased space required to open safely, the school will not be in a position to open up at this stage under the current guidelines, to the government's targeted whole year groups: nursery, reception, year 1 and year 6. Home learning activities will therefore continue to be provided for all year groups. It may be worth noting that the home learning links provided will be the same as the core learning delivered in the classroom, i.e. White Rose mathematics and LPDS English units.

Our priority is now to identify those children of key workers most in need of the provision available in school. To this end, we will be contacting those families who have requested or are currently using this provision, to ask for them for some further information. This will allow us to allocate the limited spaces available to those in most need.

Please be assured that the health of our pupils and staff, both physical and mental, is our first priority and is shaping all our planning as we look ahead to coming days and weeks.

Many thanks for your continued support and very best wishes,

Yours sincerely

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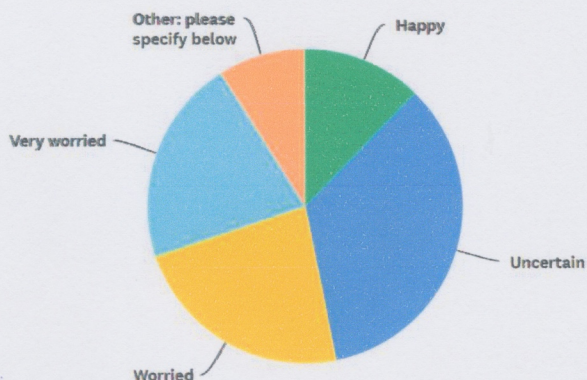


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How are you feeling about your child returning to school?

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ANSWER CHOICES



RESPONSES



▼ Happy

12.22%

22

▼ Uncertain

34.44%

62

▼ Worried

22.78%

41

▼ Very worried

21.11%

38

▼ Other: please specify below

8.89%

16

TOTAL

180

Q5

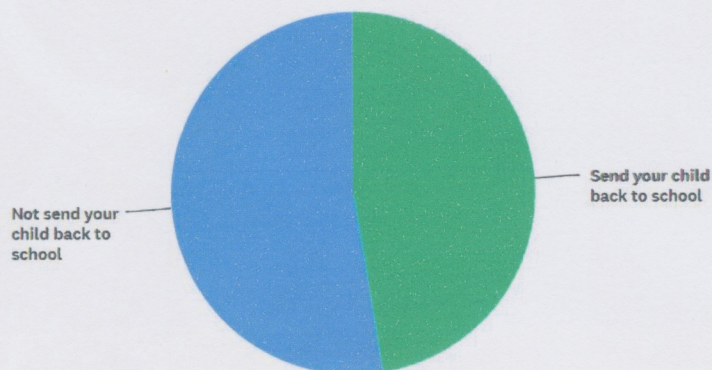


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The government understands some families may not wish their child to return to school, and there will be no fines for non-attendance. So; If school offered a place for your child on 1st June would you

Answered: 175 Skipped: 6



ANSWER CHOICES



RESPONSES



▼ Send your child back to school

47.43%

83

▼ Not send your child back to school

52.57%

92

TOTAL

175