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Dear Parents and Carers,

Following the disappointing news yesterday about the continued closure of school for year groups 2-5 until September at the earliest, I wanted to write to you regarding our planning for the Federation.

I want to be as open with you as I can be and with what I know. As I have discussed in previous letters, all areas of school opening are subject to change in line with Government guidelines, which we usually receive at the same time as the general public, however at this stage it may be useful for you to assume the following:

- School has been and will continue to be open for Key Worker Childcare until further notice.
- School will remain open for Year 6 children in both schools until further notice (planned until 17.7.20)
- School will remain closed for Years 1 and Reception, until further notice and this is continually being reviewed. In our school, one significant determiner of this will be if the Government suggest 'bubbles' (groups) of children are safe to use the same facilities.
- The Leeds Local Authority and Unions are keen for all schools to be closed to school children over the summer holiday.

Online learning will become available and you will be sent detail for logging in on the website for:

- This week: Assemblies (2 per week)
- w/c 15 June 2020: Maths and English session by class teacher and daily emails for children
- w/c 22 June 2020: Extra-curricular Wellbeing sessions by Teaching Assistants – several and various each week

Please note, that should one of the class teachers become poorly and unable to maintain the above expectations, you will continue to have email contact and online learning will continue to be available on your school website from the corresponding teacher in our other school.

My Governors and I would like to whole-heartedly reiterate, that **if** we were given the option of safely opening school to all our children tomorrow, **we would do it in a heartbeat**. We want all of our children back in school, learning in class and socialising with their friends. Sadly we are significantly constrained by



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our school building and facilities in fulfilling the Risk Assessment and the requirements set out by the Government, our indemnity insurance and our Local Authority.

Thank you for the lovely feedback we have received so far regarding our updated provision online. I am hopeful that the children will enjoy this and benefit from seeing their teachers and participating in some of the wellbeing and extra-curricular activities and videos available. Please don't forget that you can email your class teacher at any point to share any concerns or indeed any successes you experience over the coming weeks, we love to see and hear what the children have been doing as we miss them all immensely.

Please take good care and thank you again for your ongoing support.

Kind regards,

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