

ST. OSWALD'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Carers,

You will have seen the Prime Minister's speech last night with reference to schools possibly opening from June 1st for some pupils. I want to outline our present position.

St Oswald's is currently open only to vulnerable pupils and the children of key workers. The Government advice remains that if it is at all possible for children to be at home then they must be.

As parents/carers you have been wonderful at supporting the school during this difficult time and we have only had children in school where there has been no alternative. This has allowed us to keep numbers of children and adults in school to an absolute minimum and kept everyone as safe as possible. We thank you for this and ask that this continues until at least the 1st June.

At the moment, we don't know any more than you about the Government's plans but we believe these are coming out soon. Currently we believe that Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 children may be the first to gradually return to school. We'll keep you up to date as and when we get more information. In the meantime we'll continue to make plans to ensure school is as safe as possible and we're considering a range of options to make the return as smooth as possible when we're allowed to. Please be reassured that the safety of your children is paramount in any decisions I make in consultation with the SLT and Governors.

Thank you for all your support and engagement with school via our website and twitter. I will update you as soon as I'm able to.

Take care everyone and stay safe,

Mrs Hassan