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Dear Parent/Carer

Over recent months we have all had to adapt to new ways of working. As a school, we would like to take this opportunity to thank you, our parents and carers, for supporting your son or daughter's learning and wellbeing throughout this time.

Earlier this week, the Government issued a statement stating that schools in England will be allowed to fully open in September 2020 and that further guidance would follow shortly.

We sincerely hope to begin our new academic year 'as usual'. However due to the number of uncertainties at this time, coupled with the threat of a potential 'second wave' of the virus later in the year, we believe that it is important to plan for all eventualities. This will ensure that we are well prepared to provide your son or daughter with the best quality of education.

To help us make sure that we can deliver the right support for you and your child next year, we are conducting a survey of all parents to gain a greater understanding of the level of internet access of individual households. We will then use this information to explore if there are other ways that we can teach pupils, e.g. through video, in the event we were unable to accommodate all year groups attending school full-time.

You will receive an email from school containing a link that will take you to a short survey. The survey should take less than five minutes to fill in and I would be grateful if this could be completed by **Wednesday 1 July 2020**. All data collected as a result of this exercise will be handled in line with GDPR protocols and all information will only be used with reference to supporting pupil learning from home. You can also access this survey via the following link:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=aWzlPdolmUiJCLK7g87zyerPEgcifZtKt42QbPd8JRFUMktWSTdGWEs4RFhEQUtJS0NTTjdGMTA2TC4u

Finally, our Form Tutors are very much missing their 'form family' and therefore I wanted to let you know that they will shortly be making telephone calls to contact your child (via yourself) to discuss their progress and to provide a listening ear if they need it.

If your contact details have recently changed, you can update these via our website under "Parents" tab, then "Pupil Details Form" or by following this link: https://www.arrowsmith.wigan.sch.uk/parents/Pupil-Details-Form

Yours faithfully

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