25th May, 2020

Dear parents and carers

It seems so long since school was running normally. I hope you are all keeping well.

I am sure you are aware of the Prime Minister’s wish to see schools open to Reception, YR1 and YR 6 on 1st June if his five tests are met.

These five tests are

1. Making sure the NHS can cope

2. A sustained and consistent fall in the daily death rate from coronavirus

3. Rate of infection decreasing to manageable levels

4. Ensuring supply of tests and PPE can meet future demand

5. Being confident that any adjustments will not risk a second peak of infections that would overwhelm the NHS.

However, we have already decided that **Christ Church will NOT be open to more children on the 1st June.** This is because we are still in the process of working with the local authority, unions and human resources to complete agreed risk assessments which we will then have to tailor to our school context.

When staff and governors are confident that we have safe and effective measures in place and the Prime Minister has stated that his five targets have been met, then we will begin to consider when we will admit more children in school. We will also inform you about what health and safety measures we have put in place and the key changes in the school day for your child. At that time you can decide whether you want your child to attend school or continue with home learning.

We intend to communicate with all families by telephone or email the week after the half term to check on well-being, home learning and seek your views on reopening.

I hope that you understand and support the reason for not opening so quickly. Your children’s health and safety is our prime concern.

Please enjoy the half-term the best you can. Stay safe and healthy.

Yours sincerely

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