



Dear parents and carers,

Thank you for all your messages of support and for your concerns for the welfare of our staff. We are all doing well and are healthy. We continue to work very hard behind the scenes, planning work for children and preparing for the amalgamation.

Many of you are asking when we will re-open, and like yourselves, we are waiting for the Prime Minister's announcement on easing the lockdown measures. He will make a statement about this on Sunday. If, as we expect, he will say something about the re-opening of schools, we will begin to plan for a gradual re-opening. I am not sure yet how we will do this, or which year groups will be first, as I will need to follow advice. Of course, it will be very important that we maintain social distancing as much as possible. What that means for children and for parents will be communicated to you as soon as possible. We will also work with Redlands very closely, so we have a consistent approach.

We are very busy planning for the future in other ways as well. I expect that schools may be partially open for a while to come, and I am beginning to think about ways we can support home learning better. This means that we need to consider access to technology. I will be talking to our governors and to others about this, and as soon as I have more news about this, I will share it with you.

I hope that you are all well, and would like to wish you a nice and safe Ban Holiday weekend.

All the best,

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