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Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you and your family are safe and well and managing as best you can in these very challenging circumstances.

I am sure that many of you are aware of the announcement made by the Prime Minister, last night, regarding schools:

'at the earliest by June 1st- after half-term- we believe we may be in a position to begin [the phased reopening of shops and] get primary pupils back to school, in stages beginning with Reception, Year 1 and Year 6.'

Both as a Headteacher and as a parent I understand how difficult and scary the current situation is. Please note that his choice of 'at the earliest' and 'we believe we may be in a position' is by no means definitive. At the moment we have no further information on what 'back to school' for Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 will look like, but our unions are working closely with the government to ensure that any phased return is safe for all involved. I will keep you informed over the coming weeks as and when more detail is released.

I assure you that the safety and wellbeing of our school community is paramount and we will only open Utkinton CE Primary School when we feel that it is safe to do so. I also acknowledge that we have some families where their structure and/or medical needs means they may be more 'at risk' of the virus than the general population. I will work individually with each of these families to ensure an appropriate plan is in place.

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me via email on head@utkintonce.cheshire.sch.uk.

Yours sincerely

Lorna Pleavin