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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am sure many of you, like me, tuned in this evening to hear the Prime Minister's announcement regarding the roadmap for easing the lock-down. We still have many questions that have not yet been answered. His announcement detailed that should the current trend of the falling infections and deaths related to Covid-19 continue, that Primary Schools will begin a phased return no earlier than the 1st of June.

The only detail included in the announcement was that the phased return would begin with Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 classes. What was missing was detail on how this will be implemented, and under what circumstances – for example, whether social distancing will be required to be maintained in the classroom. Every school is going to have its own individual challenges in implementing any guidance the government gives us based on individual circumstances such as their staffing, classroom sizes, and building layout. Every school will need time to consider such practicalities.

As you will appreciate, we are waiting to receive more detailed information from the Department for Education and the Government. This will support us in developing effective systems and policies to ensure that when the children return, we can do it safely for the children, you and the staff.

I can assure you that at this point we have not been told anything more than what has been announced tonight in the Prime Minister's address. When teachers call you this week, they will not have any new information for you. As soon as we know more, and have developed an approach that will work for Fleet, we will communicate this to you.

I would be grateful for your continued patience and support as we make arrangements. We will not rush into any decisions and will take on board all of the guidance we receive by both the Department for Education and Camden to come up with the best solution we can to support our school community.

Best wishes and stay safe,

Don McGibbon
Head Teacher