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Dear Parents/Carers,

You will have been following the Government's announcements, and be aware that School may be reopening for children in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 from 1st June, depending on various criteria being met.

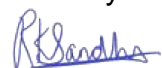
We are working with our Academy Trust and other local Head Teachers to establish how this may look moving forwards. There are many protective factors that we are considering, including using more classrooms and having fewer pupils in each one. In order to meet the 2 metre social distancing requirements, most classrooms can only accommodate between 8 and 10 pupils, depending on the ages of the children and the layout. We also have to consider how we will staff this, whilst continuing to manage remote learning for other pupils.

So, there are many challenges, but comprehensive planning is going on. Whilst we will do whatever we can to ensure that social distancing and hygiene are paramount, I don't need to explain to you that, for younger children, keeping 2 metres apart is virtually impossible.

Sending your child to school is optional, and there will be no fines for non-attendance. In order for us to plan, it would be helpful to know how many of you intend, at this stage, to take up the offer of a place. Once we have this information, we will be able to make decisions on how we will accommodate our children.

You can do this by informing your child's Teacher when they make their weekly phone call, email us at [admin@hardwick.derby.sch.uk](mailto:admin@hardwick.derby.sch.uk), or ring us on 01332 272249.

Thank you.



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