



Expect the Best

New Road Primary & Nursery School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this letter finds you and your families well.

The 1st of June: I thought I would let you all know what the school is doing in response to the government's announcement that schools should begin to reopen on the 1st of June for pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 6.

- The school office has written to parents of pupils in these year groups asking if they would like their children to attend school from the 1st of June.
- Leaders at the school are planning for a partial reopening and carefully considering how to maintain social distancing in a school. How we hope to do this will be shared with you before the 1st of June, so you can have as much confidence in the school as possible.
- As we have been successfully working with groups of children in school for the past seven weeks, we are confident that we can reduce the risk of a child or a member of staff contracting Covid 19.
- It is very likely that some parents will choose not to send their child to school on the 1st of June or when other year groups are invited to return to school. To reassure you that is OK; you will not be fined and we will respect your decision.

May Half-term: Teachers will not be setting distance learning tasks during May half-term. We will be providing a holiday club for some of our children, such as those whose parents are classed as critical workers.

Distance Learning Awards: The first batch of Distance Learning Awards have been sent and we will be sending home three more per class next week.

It has been very difficult for teachers to nominate a few children, as almost all children are doing such an amazing job with their distance learning. In the coming weeks even more children will be recognised for their hard work and commitment to completing work at home.

A huge THANK YOU to everyone teaching their children at home. I often teach my seven year old daughter at home with a toddler on my knee - mission impossible! Thank you for sticking with it - I know it isn't always easy.

Competition Entries: It's early days but a few competition entries are beginning to be received by the school. Might be a lovely thing to do during half term. There will be lots of lovely prizes and certificates for some of the lucky entrants.

The hope is that the artwork will form an important part of an exhibition we can all enjoy.

Thank You! As a group of staff we would like to say thank you for your continued support. Staff are receiving such lovely feedback and emails. A few kind words really help - thank you!

Take care

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