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Dear parents,

RE: Current Plan for Phased Re-opening from 8th June

I hope you are all well and keeping safe. Thank you all for completing the necessary questionnaire returns, the information you have submitted, alongside government guidance, has allowed us to devise an informed plan of what provision we can safely offer as of 8th June. It is important to note that this plan is dependent on further advice from the Government stating that schools are safe to open on this date.

The DfE on 11th May released the following statement:

'Nothing can replace being in the classroom, which is why I want to get children back to school as soon as it is safe to do so. The latest scientific advice indicates it will be safe for more children to return to school from 1 June, but we will continue to limit the overall numbers in school and introduce protective measures to prevent transmission.'

Following advice and consideration of the health and safety for pupils, parents, staff and families and the above DfE guidelines, please find below information on our current plans. Our thorough risk assessment takes into account physical space for social distancing, staffing and resources. In addition, we have considered what we feel will give children in school the best support for their mental health and wellbeing. Please be assured that we will be constantly reviewing our offer in line with government and local advice.

Based on the current information, our provision from 8th June will be as follows:

- **Places allocated to key worker children (Nursery through to Year 6) who responded to the second questionnaire stating that they needed a place for their child (Monday - Friday)**
- **Places allocated to Reception children who responded to the second questionnaire stating they would choose to send their child to school (Monday - Thursday only)**
- **Places allocated to Year 1 children who responded to the second questionnaire stating they would choose to send their child to school (Monday - Thursday only)**
- **Places allocated to Year 6 children who responded to the second questionnaire stating they would choose to send their child to school (Monday - Thursday only)**
- **All year groups 'Home Learning Pages' will continue to be updated. The content of the in-school sessions will mirror the learning being posted.**

As you can see from the above outline, following the completion of rigorous risk assessments and after careful consideration on the significant impact that the necessary changes would have on our Nursery provision, we have made the decision not to include the return of Nursery children (other than key workers).

I would also like to draw parents' attention to the fact that provision for the non key worker children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 will only be available from **Monday to Thursday**. This is to allow us to put in place an enhanced cleaning schedule to help support us in preventing transmission.

The government's aim is that all pupils will have some time in school before the summer holidays. Our assessment is that this would not be possible based on the current guidance however, we will continue to keep this under review and update parents as the situation develops.

Next week we will continue to drive forward with our plans and will contact parents during the week commencing 1st June to provide key details including which staff will be leading which groups, the schedule for the staggered start and end to the days, allocated entrances for children etc. We will also issue guidance for parents regarding their role in supporting social distancing measures.

Some schools may be providing different provision to this, however since all schools are different in space, staffing and environments, I would like to reiterate to parents that our plan has been drawn up with the driving force of doing what is right for our children, staff and families. We feel that for the children of Broadoak this is the best way of beginning to phase pupils back into school in a safe manner and provide the level of care and support they deserve during these challenging times.

As always, the Broadoak staff have been amazing during this planning stage, working as a team, and at all times being driven by what is best for the children in our care, both on and off site.

Once again, I would like to thank you for your ongoing support and patience, it really is appreciated.

Kind regards

Mrs. Karen Wild