



15<sup>th</sup> May 2020

Dear Children,

I hope you and your families are well. Your teachers keep me up to date with news about the way you are engaging with home learning and joining in with Zoom conversations and so on. Any news we have from you is great: it's so important that we keep talking with one another.

I expect that you will have heard by now that the Government has made a decision to allow some children to return to schools from June 1<sup>st</sup>. The children include those in the Early Years, Reception, Year 1 and Year 6. Before this can happen though, they have to make sure that schools are safe places for you and your teachers.

Some of you will be very eager to get back to school, mainly perhaps, because you've missed your friends and possibly even your teachers! I know that your teachers and support staff are really missing you. Others of you who are in the eligible year groups may be a bit nervous about coming back and that is completely understandable. Your parents will make the decision about what to do for the best for your family and you'll have to trust them on this: you are the most precious thing in their lives.

I know that some of you in Year 6 will be thinking about your transition into secondary school and you may be worrying about that. Please don't worry anymore about missing out on any transition arrangements. Your head teachers and teachers are very busy working alongside teachers in Year 7 and are making arrangements to put together a transition programme that you can access, whether you'll be attending school or learning at home. So please, don't feel as if you're missing out on anything: you will all have the same transition experience to make sure you're fully prepared for September.

Things will get better in time so just keep smiling and stay positive. You're doing great!

Thinking of you with love,

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