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Headteacher: Dawn Persad

Dear Parents,

Many thanks to everyone who completed our recent survey to tell us your thoughts about the planned return to school for some year groups on June 1st. Your feedback has been extremely useful, and I am writing as promised to give you some more details about how this will work at Henry Fawcett Primary. It is important that we are clear that the school that opens this June will, for now, look very different to the one that closed in March.

The Government has issued all schools with guidance that they say will enable children to return safely to class, and we have followed this closely. We can tell you about some of the things that will be happening at school to minimise the risk of infection. As parents, we trust you to make the right decision for you and your family about whether these measures make it safe enough for your children to return to school at this time.

What are we doing to minimise risk?

Children will be taught in **groups of no more than 15**. They will spend their whole day in this 'bubble' and won't mix with other groups. Within the group, they will *try to socially distance as much as possible*. There will be regular cleaning and handwashing. In this way, we will significantly reduce the risk of infection both within, and between, groups.

Please see attached document for details about the new school routines, and some useful frequently asked questions.

When will this happen?

If the Government, Local Authority and School Governors feel it is safe to do so, schools will reopen as planned on the following dates. Please remember that this decision could change at any time.

Dates for return will be as follows;

- Monday, June 1st Key Worker children (Rainbow Class) only - (Staff INSET)
- Tuesday, June 2nd Reception and Nursery pupils (EYFS) return
- Wednesday, June 3rd Year 1 pupils return
- Thursday, June 4th Year 6 pupils return
- Friday, June 5th *Morning school only* for N, R, Y1 and Y6

Please check attachment carefully for the *correct start time* for each class.



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What will the children be learning?

Home learning will still be set for any children who don't return to school in June; this includes children in N, R, Y1 and Y6. Children who do come to school will work on the same tasks as their friends at home. They will also work on their emotional health and well-being.

What happens now?

If you have chosen to send your child back to school, please bring them to school on the day listed above, at the time specified. Please bring their school workbooks or home learning packs on the first day. You will soon be sent a Parent Mail form with details of the new Home School Agreement. **You must tick the box to confirm you agree to this Home School Agreement, before your child can return to school.**

If you have chosen to keep your child at home, please continue to follow the home learning provided by Parent Mail or Google Classroom.

We will assume that any children in N, R, Y1 or Y6 who have not returned by Friday, June 5th will not be returning to school this term. Please let us know if they are absent for a different reason. If you change your mind about your decision after Friday 5th June, your child can start to attend school at any point in the term. Please inform the school by email or telephone in advance so that we can make arrangements to keep everyone as safe as possible.

Many thanks for your continued support and understanding.

Dawn Persad
Headteacher