

Friday 22nd May

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope everyone is safe and well.

As you know, we are busy preparing our school to ensure the highest levels of health and safety for our children, staff, parents and local community for the **proposed** re-opening of schools from the 1st June. There are still many factors to consider and some information still unknown. The government are due to announce today the scientific evidence for opening schools on the 1st June and will announce the final decision to open on **28th May**.

To send out specific information, other than what I sent in my previous letter, at this time would not be useful as it could change. What I will reiterate is that, at Heathfield, we are implementing a slow and considered approach to allow for frequent review and adjustment to ensure the highest levels of health and safety. The current time scale looks like this:

Monday 1 st June	Tuesday 2 nd June	Wednesday 3rd June	Thursday 4 th June	Friday 5 th June
Staff training – policy and procedures	Year 6	Year 6	Year 6	Year 6 Year 1
Monday 8 th June	Tuesday 9th June	Wednesday 10th June	Thursday 11 th June	Friday 12 th June
Year 6	Year 6	Year 6	Year 6	Year 6
Year 1	Year 1	Year 1	Year 1	Year 1
	Reception	Reception	Reception	Reception
			Nursery	Nursery

The staff training is of vital importance to ensure all staff members are confident with all up to date procedures to ensure **the safety of everyone in the Heathfield family.**

Next Friday, following the final announcement, I will write to the Year 6 families that have expressed that their child will be returning to school, with the specific



details regarding timings, expectations of children and parents that are returning etc. Families from other classes' I will contact week beginning 1st June.

Although school will look very different we are doing everything we can to make sure **Heathfield remains a happy and familiar setting** for your children. We also acknowledge and respect that for some families sending children back to school at this time is not the right thing for them. Please remember, **parents and carers of children in eligible year groups will not face fines or any other sanctions if they decide not to send their child/ren to school.**

Next week is half term so teachers will not be providing home learning via the school website or tapestry. Despite being limited in what you can do, I do hope you all have a nice break and continue to keep yourselves safe. After half term, teachers will continue to plan home learning for all year groups – there will be 3 weeks of learning posted from 1st June.

I would also like to thank every member of staff in the Heathfield team – I feel extremely lucky to work alongside such a dedicated team.

As always, you can contact me at <u>events@heathfield.bolton.sch.uk</u> should you require any support or guidance.

Best wishes to everyone in the Heathfield Family, Stay safe,

Yours sincerely Mr. M D Thornley Headteacher