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Dear Parent/Carer,

I thought that I would write following the Prime Minister's announcement yesterday evening. The government's announcement indicated a potential re-opening of primary schools for children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 from Monday 1st June 2020. We are still waiting for further clarification from the Department for Education and are therefore unable to speculate about what this could look like in practice.

Please rest assured that we are working closely with our Local Authority partners to plan the reopening of schools in line with any government requests. The Local Authority YSAB board (which represents all York maintained schools and academies) will be meeting on Thursday 14th and discussing next steps. As soon as I have hard facts I will pass them on to you. They LA have also written a letter to all school staff which they have asked to be posted onto school websites. If you would like to read it the link is now on our website.

We will not open unless we are satisfied that we are able to do so in such a way that ensures the safety of our children, our families and our staff.

I know that not knowing creates anxiety and stress and would just ask that you "sit tight" for a little longer. As I have learnt from bitter experience in these last few months second guessing is a time-consuming and fruitless activity!

Take care of each other,

Marke

Tina Clarke