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Dear Parents/Carers,

As we approach the end of week 7 of lockdown all of my school community hope that you and your family continue to be safe and well? As mentioned in my previous letter, school remains open every day, Monday to Friday, and we are here to help you with any concerns or if you feel that you are not receiving the necessary support. An example of which could be if there is any delay in you receiving your entitlements from central government. You can contact school on 0115 9794304.

This week we have distributed another batch of vouchers for those families whose children are eligible for free school meals. As mentioned in previous correspondence we will have to move to an online system from 1 June but again my Admin Team, and Jo Simons in particular, will support with any access to such a system. We will write to you in due course with further information about this new process.

This week saw the issue of another workbook for your child which has been made accessible online. My teachers have worked hard to ensure that this is not a resource that needs to be printed in order for children to carry out the tasks. However, if you have issues with accessing online material please do contact the school office and we will find a solution for you. For those with online access, as mentioned previously, there are a wide range of lessons freely available on <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize">www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize</a>

I am aware that there is much intense speculation in the media about the date when schools may reopen to more pupils after May half term. Whilst this speculation is understandable it is not particularly helpful. Any return to school must be led by evidence of when it is safe to do so, not convenient dates in the education calendar. Safe for children, safe for parents, safe for staff and the wider community. Therefore, it is impossible to give a date but I believe it is clear that any reopening to more pupils will be gradual.

Once again, we acknowledge a number of you may find your work status change and therefore feel free to contact school if you believe that you have become a key worker. We do continue to have the flexibility to respond to changing needs.

In addition, please remember that your child or you using your email account can contact their teacher through the class email accounts.

Once again, thank you all for your understanding and cooperation. Take care and stay safe.

Yours sincerely

Gary Fullwood

**Executive Head Teacher** 









