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Dear Parent / Carers

RE reopening to wider groups update (F1, F2, Y1 and Y6)

Please see the joint statement from Mayor Ros Jones and Dr Rupert Suckling (Director of Public Health for Doncaster) that was released today (link below)

https://www.doncaster.gov.uk/News/mayor-recommends-schools-start-to-implement-their-wider-reopening-plans-from-monday-15-june

We have now been given the go ahead to start opening to selected groups.

Since we last considered this on the 1st June, the situation in school has changed; we now have less capacity as more vulnerable and critical worker children have started to attend. As a result, I will now have to reevaluate our capacity and assess which 'wider groups' we can accommodate safely.

The leadership team and I will be reviewing our risk assessment early next week and we will communicate our reopening plans to you as soon as possible.

It may be that we are unable to open to all of the specified 'wider' groups (F1, F2, Y1 and Y6) straight away or at all before the end of the academic year. We will be considering:

- Current uptake
- Staff availability
- Room size
- Keeping everyone safe

We will certainly do our best to ensure as many children as safely possible can return before the end We consulted with all parents in FS1, FS2, Y1 and Y6 a few weeks ago about whether their child would be returning to school. I will therefore use this information to assess our capacity to reopen and allocate places based on this data.

I will be in touch with the parents of FS1, FS2, Y1 and Y6 early next week to provide information about what we are able to offer.

This will not affect the children who are currently attending and have been placed into a bubble (children of critical workers/vulnerable children); these children can continue to attend until the end of the academic year. We will also continue to support the other year groups through weekly welfare calls and Zoom meetings.

Don't forget to check our website and Twitter feed regularly to see the most up-to-date information about what is happening at our school

Thank you in advance for your patience.

Mrs Tomlinson Heads of School

