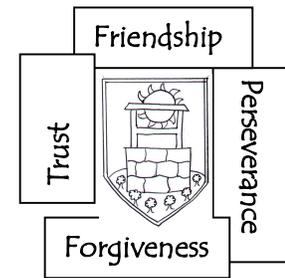


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'I will show you my faith by my works' James 2:18



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Dear Parents/Carers

It had been my hope to share with you by now the plans for re-opening the school on June 1st to Reception, Year 1 and Year 6.

Like you, the first we knew of these plans were on Sunday 10th May 2020. We then had to wait for Government documents to be sent through explaining exactly how we would be required to open our school.

Our staff have attended numerous online meetings, read dozens of Government documents on the requirements and how that would work in practice. We have since then worked to produce detailed plans on how we could do this at Sunningwell. The staff have been in school remodelling classrooms and buying resources to support the return. If you wish to read how schools will need operate when they open, they are available on the GOV.UK website. We want our school to be as close the 'Sunningwell' experience that the children enjoy, but I am sure you are aware, we will have to make significant changes to comply with government requirements for schools during this time.

The final decision about opening school is to be made by the Government by 1st June and it is anticipated that this will be communicated on a daily briefing on a day from 27th-31st May. We feel that such a late announcement does not give parents or the school time to make final arrangements to return on Monday 1st June.

In consultation with the School Governors and Oxfordshire County Council, we have taken the decision not to open the school on Monday 1st June to children other than Key Worker children.

On Monday 1st June we will write to you again to advise you of our opening plans, subject to government announcements next week. We will then ask (if your child is in Reception, Y1 or Y6) whether you intend to send your child in to school so that we can plan accordingly. Teachers will continue to prepare online

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and home-learning for all children but anticipate being able to offer an extended and more personalised learning experience for children at school.

As ever, our aim is to welcome children back to our school as soon as it is safe to do so.

Yours

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