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Dear Parents/ Carers

We hope you are all well? The teachers are all missing the children enormously! It has been lovely to receive the emails, letters and work from your children and see some of the fabulous home learning projects that you have been doing. Mrs Heath is adding these to Facebook for you all to see along with additional help and support or other home learning links and ideas for you.

The website has a lot of information for parents/ carers to work on with your children. This can be found under the 'home learning' area of the website and in your child's year group. The class teacher's email addresses can also be found in this area and we are encouraging parents to contact teachers if they require any further support with the home learning. Please contact teachers also if you require any further work for your child or if you require any paper copies of work. These can then be collected from the school office.

We have managed to contact nearly all of our parents/ carers by telephone or email in the last few weeks and we will continue to stay in contact to see how the children are. It has been lovely to speak to you all and if you require any further help or support you can contact a member of staff on the school number between 8.30 and 3.30 each day.

Even though the children have not been at school, we have been continuing work on a daily basis. Mrs E Huson and Mrs E Griffiths have now returned from maternity leave and are back in school. Sadly however, we will be saying goodbye to Mr Yates at the end of the summer term. We extend our congratulations to Mr Yates and his fiancée who are both moving to teach abroad for a little while. He will be greatly missed at Hayes Meadow and I know the children will be sad to see him leave. The recruitment process for the position of class teacher took place recently and I can confirm that Mr Morgan will be taking the position from September 2020. We look forward to welcoming him to the team.

As you will have heard the government is currently proposing that some pupils may start returning to school on 1st June 2020. The pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 are the year groups which could potentially start to return to school after the half term break. This has not yet been confirmed but we are making plans in case the government do announce that this will happen.

This does not affect the provision for our vulnerable or keyworker children and we will continue to have these children in school as usual. Some parents/ carers are now returning to work after being off for some time and if you are keyworkers requiring your children to now return to school we would ask you to contact the school office via telephone on 01543 490616 or office@hayesmeadow.staffs.sch.uk stating your occupation and which keyworker category you are in.

HEADTEACHER: Mrs Sarah Sivieri

We would like to know your views about the pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 returning to school on the 1st June and whether you would be considering sending your child to school should this happen. This initial response does not mean you would be unable to send your child back to school if you change your mind or further guidance is released. It is just to give school staff an idea of who will be returning and the levels of staffing required. If/ when the children do return we are making plans to ensure we are following the government guidelines regarding social distancing and cleaning to ensure the safety of pupils and staff. This would include children needing to be split into smaller class groups than usual and have staggered playtimes/ lunchtimes to the other children in school. Parent drop off and collection protocols would be put in place to minimise adult to adult contact. Resources will need to be separated for each child and we would need to follow strict routines in school. There may also be a need to have children in school on a part time basis. Unfortunately we do not yet have all of the answers and we are working with the daily guidance we are being sent.

The government guidance for schools is on the Gov.uk website which you may want to read prior to responding to this letter. Please respond to this letter by post, dropping the response into school or preferably by email to response@hayesmeadow.staffs.sch.uk with your child's details as soon as possible. If you would like to ask questions then please include these in with your response and we will try to put the answers on the school website as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely

Mrs S Sivieri

Headteacher

Child's name _____ Year group _____

I would be happy for my child to return to school with the government guidelines in place from 1st June.

I would not be happy for my child to return to school before September.

Please explain why?

Questions: