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Dear Parents

I hope you are all continuing to keep safe and well.

I am sure, like me, you will have watched the Prime Minister's address to the nation last night. The next steps were announced, and the Prime Minister spoke about the implementation of a phased re-opening of schools from 1st June, starting with children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 6. This is part of the Government's conditional plan which will remain under regular review. I am hopeful that further guidance will be issued to schools over the coming days. School leaders will then work on a plan to ensure a safe return for our Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 children. I am sure, like me, you have many questions (and worries) about what will ensue over the coming weeks. Please rest assured, as stated in previous letters, that we will be working incredibly hard to ensure school is a safe place to be. Please note, that in the short term, nothing has changed, school is only open for the children of key workers. When I have further details and information about the phased re-opening, I will be in contact again. Thank you for your patience.

We hope you and your children enjoyed the video from school staff and governors last week. It was an emotional video to put together! We miss you and your children dearly!

Thank you for sending in your prayers for our prayer wall. Team C worked hard last week to create the tiles using your words and a lovely display has been created in the hall. Please check twitter to view the display.

This week would have been the start of the Year 6 SATs (Standardised Assessment Tests). The national tests were cancelled once the Government decided schools would only remain open for key worker children. I sent a parentmail to Year 6 parents last week which included a fun lockdown paper for Year 6 children to complete at home. The children throughout the school would have completed various class assessments during this week as well. I have attached the paper and answers to this parentmail for your child/children to complete should you wish them to. You could even have a bit of fun with the children and say I have said they must complete their assessments at home as they cannot do them in school!

Please continue to email photos of the children to our admin@clitherow.herts.sch.uk account and we will share them via twitter with our whole school community. Hertfordshire County Council create a #ischoolation video every Friday and it has been wonderful to see lots of our photos being shared with the County. Keep sending your photos to us, they really do brighten up our day!

If your home situation has changed during this pandemic, you may be eligible to receive free school meals – this applies to the whole school. Please visit www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals to check if you are eligible, it only takes a couple of minutes. If you have confirmed eligibility, please do let us know so we ensure your child receives a lunch delivery/collection every day at home. Please be assured that this information is treated with confidence.

God Bless and stay safe

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Miss Puccio
Headteacher



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