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Dear Parents and Carers

Preparations for the Wider Opening of School

I hope that you are all well. I mentioned in last week's newsletter that I would contact you after the Prime Minister's briefing on 28th May. As you may already know, this took place last night and included the announcement that he is hopeful that primary pupils in **Reception, Year 1** and **Year 6** will return to school in June.

Schools in Halton will remain closed for at least another week and here at Halebanks we are working towards a re-opening date of 8th June (at the earliest). I am meeting with the teachers, teaching assistants and support staff (in their separate groups) on Monday to review the risk assessments we have undertaken; we are aiming to ensure that we can make the school as safe as possible for the return of these groups of pupils. Once our plans are finalised, I will write to you to explain in detail how we propose to run the school day.

I understand from the feedback I have already received from you that you may be feeling cautious and unsure about sending your child back into school. It is an uncertain time for us all and I hope that when I write to you on Tuesday, you will feel reassured that the school is doing its utmost to address your concerns.

If you haven't yet confirmed what your intentions are and your child is in Reception, Year 1 or Year 6, please email me with a simple response of 'yes', 'no' or 'not sure' as soon as possible. This information will help us with our re-opening plans. Send your responses to head.halebanks@halton.gov.uk. Thank you for your patience and support.

Have a lovely weekend! I will be in touch again on Tuesday.

Yours sincerely

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