

ST. BEDE'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Mrs E Alderson
Head Teacher

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope that you are all well and that the children are enjoying the May half term break.

Information received today from Durham County Council advises the 15th June, the date the government has put forward for secondary pupils to return, is a more realistic date for the phased reopening to begin for Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 pupils. We have attached the press release to provide you with more information and the reasoning behind this.

Therefore, under the advice and instruction of Durham County Council and to ensure our school environment is as safe as it possibly can be for your child, **we shall not be re-opening St Bede's on 8th June to children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 6**, as previously suggested. Please note, key worker provision will continue to be offered from 1st June from Monday to Friday, 9am to 3.15pm.

The intention is that we would offer 9-12 noon to begin with from the week commencing 15th June for Year 6 on Monday and Tuesday, then Year 1 on Wednesday and Thursday followed by Reception on Friday. Please be aware that this may still be subject to change dependent on future guidance and our limited school capacity.

We understand what a confusing and changeable time it is for everyone at present and apologise for any inconvenience this may cause. Guidance is changing on a daily basis and we are trying hard to ensure we keep parents well informed and make decisions based on the safety of all of our school community.

May we take this opportunity to thank you once again for your patience and understanding at this difficult time.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'E Alderson'.

Mrs E Alderson
Head Teacher

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'M Fingleton'.

Mr M Fingleton
Chair of Governors