



Wibsey Primary School
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Headteacher: Mr N M Cooper

Dear Parent Carer

I slightly more sober email this week (we will pick up the animals again next week!)

Firstly I want to reassure you that the school's senior leadership are working on a plan to return some children to school. In terms of which children and how this would practically work I cannot give you those answers today. I said I would be honest with you, share what we are doing, and say where I didn't know. What I can say is that measuring rooms and looking at being able to keep children socially distant we would be operating a 1 teacher to 10 children ratio. The Governments expectation of 1 teacher to 15 children is unrealistic. Taking all the suggested groups in together is also unrealistic.

I will update you next week and will most likely need your help in confirming children's places so that I can see how many year groups we can open and you can make plans. We are going to continue planning what is right and safe for the Wibsey Community, not what someone sat in an office in London thinks we can do.

I also write to inform you that school will remain open for childcare for the first week of the Half Term break. To be clear - childcare is open to current attendees the week commencing 25th May.

School will be closed completely from the the 1st June until the 8th June. No childcare will operate and the premises will be closed. We are one of the schools that has stayed open continuously from lockdown, including Easter and Bank Holidays and the time has come to give all staff, including kitchen and site staff a complete break. Parents in need of support for finding key worker childcare can contact Bradford Council on MEST@bradford.gov.uk

I hope you will join with me in thanking the staff who have been working at home or in school to keep things going, and who are giving up another week of holiday at half term.

Thanks once again for the support. Look out for the regular updates next week.

Nigel Cooper
Proud Headteacher of Wibsey Primary