

To All Parents and Carers



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Dear Parents and Carers

I am writing to update you regarding the Government's recent announcement that it would like schools to **begin to open to more pupils starting from 1 June 2020**. This expectation was repeated on Wednesday 13 May by Gavin Williamson, the Secretary of State for Education, when he stated that **1 June would be the earliest schools may be able to welcome back more children to nurseries, schools and colleges**, and that **this will only happen provided that the five key tests set by government justify the changes at the time**.

The process of planning for children's return begins with risk assessments. These risk assessments inform our decision making, as for our children to return, you must have confidence and trust in us and the way we work, and know that all decisions taken are made with the safety of everyone who uses the school at the forefront of our minds: parents, carers, staff and children. The importance of working together in partnership has never been greater.

I am sure you understand that we have a mountain of detailed guidance to follow to ensure our working practices are as safe as possible, and that when it begins to welcome more children back the school will look different from when it closed in March. I and the staff want very much for the children to return, but we want them to return *safely*. **An online survey has been sent to all parents and carers of children in the EYFS, Year 1 and Year 6 that we need you to complete as soon as possible to help us plan our provision**. Please look out for the link that has been emailed.

I will write to you again next week to explain in detail what starting to welcome more children back to Brunswick Park will look like. All schools are different, and what Brunswick chooses to do following risk assessment and guidance will be different from what the school down the road chooses to do. All schools and their communities are unique, so all responses will be individual. In the meantime, please enjoy the very small additional freedoms granted by the Prime Minister, and have a peaceful weekend.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S Bellingham'.

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