

Dear mums, dads and carers 22 May 2020

As you know we have been making plans for a possible reopening for Reception, Y1 and Y6 children, whose parents want it, from 1 June. This is obviously a pretty big task involving detailed risk assessments and analysis and reallocation of available space in school as well as evaluating staffing options.

You will also be aware that a number of Local Authorities and County Councils have stated publicly that they will not reopening from the 1 June. CWAC have now chosen to "strongly advise" schools not to open before the 8 June at the earliest. Their letter to parents is attached and you will see from reading it that they expect schools to adhere to this "strong advice" and my governors and I are happy to do so.

We will continue with our preparations for a reopening but I know you will all fully appreciate circumstances are ever changing and as always my job is to do all I can to make our school as safe as possible for children and staff.

We will continue to be open for vulnerable children and those of key workers next week and in the future, but as it is officially the half term holiday children can have a week off from their home learning - I can almost hear your sighs of relief from here!

Thank you all so much for your support and patience. I know you will also join me in thanking my staff for their commitment to Charles Darwin and our children; although our school community is physically apart I am proud that we continue to work well together for the good of our children.

Best wishes, take care, Adam Croft