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Good morning parents and carers,

The past weeks have been testing and we have all faced challenges in not being able to follow our usual routines. Not being able to see friends and family, go to work or indeed send our children to school has been extremely difficult for us all.

I'm sure that by now you are aware of the Prime Minister's announcement regarding a possible phased re-opening of schools in early June.

Throughout the lockdown period, we have been proactive in our preparations for a potential re-opening of our schools. Like you, we need further clarity on the Prime Minister's proposals and have many questions as we await further details and guidance. Once these are secured, we can start to think through the practicalities and implications for each school within our Trusts.

As soon as it is possible to do so, we will communicate with you how any re-opening will be managed, and the implications for those year groups not mentioned in the speech last night. At the forefront of our thinking will, of course, be the health, safety and well-being of pupils and staff.

In the meantime, our current practices will carry on. Once we receive further clarification, we will work closely with the LA and partner agencies to make sensible decisions about how we go forward.

Thank you for your patience, support and understanding at this critical time,



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