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## Arrangements for the beginning of term

Dear Parents/carers,

As you are probably aware there has been a considerable amount of debate about schools remaining open for schools of primary age due to the ongoing situation with rising levels of infection both nationally and in our local area.

Many primary schools in tier four areas have been told to move to online learning at the start of term and professional associations representing our staff have now advised their members not to attend to teach full groups, quoting Section 44 of the Employment Rights Act 1996.

If we don't have enough staff to open safely, we will also have to take the decision to move any affected years to online learning for all apart from vulnerable pupils and children of critical workers.

I apologise for having to write to you without a clearer picture but these are unprecedented times. We are currently working with staff to confirm numbers attending and I will write to you tomorrow to confirm and to enable you to book any key worker places in any affected year groups, if that should prove necessary.

Yours sincerely,

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