

22nd May 2020

Dear Parents / Carers,

As you will be aware, during the period of lockdown schools have been open only to the children of key workers and vulnerable children. Staff and pupils at Bovington have managed this extremely well and, throughout this period, we have also been supporting the education of children at home.

On May 10, the Prime Minister announced plans for the partial lifting of lockdown measures. Schools have been asked by the government to prepare for the time when it is possible to have wider opening.

The government has announced that the earliest that wider opening would start would be Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June. The particular year groups to which the wider opening would apply if the necessary conditions are met are nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 pupils in primary schools and Year 10 and Year 12 in secondaries.

You are receiving this letter because one or more of your children is in Year 2, 3, 4 or 5 and will, unless you are a key worker or they are classed as vulnerable, **not** be returning to school on June 1. For children in Years 2, 3, 4 and 5 we will be continuing the online provision that has been so successful up until now. For clarity, we are unable to open to Year 6 at present because of the government guidance in place - a separate letter has gone out to parents of children affected.

The government has stated that it will make a final decision on the proposed reopening on May 28 and, whilst this may not directly affect you, you will receive a communication from us on May 29 to confirm plans at Bovington Academy.

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Co Acting Principals