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Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you enjoyed the bank holiday weekend and VE celebrations.

Like many of you, I watched the Prime Ministers announcement last night and heard everything about schools for the first time.

The Prime Minister did not say anything definite and there were a lot of 'maybes' in regards to timings and what could happen should the rate of infections and deaths fall over the next few weeks.

Unfortunately, I have no firm information to give you right now about the reopening of schools. I am sure over the coming days I will receive further clarification from The Department for Education, The Local authority and Our Lady of The Immaculate Academies Trust which will hopefully make things clearer.

In the meantime, our position remains the same. We are working with a skeleton staffing structure, supporting families where parents/carers are unable to keep their children safe at home. At this stage, children are safer at home, interacting with immediate family in the household and socially distancing from anyone outside the home.

As soon as we have received further clarification and guidance I will be in touch. I am so sorry I cannot be any clearer at this current time. Whatever happens we will ensure that children and staff are safe as we always do. If the past seven weeks has taught me anything, it is that things can change very quickly, so watch this space.

Please be reassured that we will only open when we are confident we have put measures in place to ensure the safety of our children, families and staff is not compromised.

As always, I will try and keep you informed but for now, please try not to worry. We will continue with our online activities for learning at home. I will be contacting you all again when I have a better idea of how this all might work. Until then, please continue doing the great job you are currently doing, by keeping your families safe and supporting one another in these very difficult times.

Stay safe,

God Bless.

Mrs Dodds and The Good Shepherd Team



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