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Dear Parents & Carers,

Apologies for the late notice but our plans for offering places to children in Year 6 next week will not now go ahead as planned.

Unfortunately, late today, we have been made aware that the most recent reproduction (R) median value for the North West is reported as being 1.01. The Secretary of State has previously made it clear as one of his 5 tests that the R value should be below 1 before it would be safe for schools to open for more children.

Wirral LA have indicated to us that they are supportive of schools pausing their plans to bring in additional pupils at this point. Having consulted with our Governors, we feel that this is what we must do.

We will, as we always have, remain open for keyworkers and vulnerable children. We will however be unable to start increasing our numbers to include Y6 until we receive further guidance or until the rate is once again below 1. We expect to get daily advice from public health and Wirral LA as next week progresses and will keep you fully informed about when we can re-start our plans.

Our plans to open to children other than Keyworker and vulnerable children have always been subject to review and would only happen if it was safe to do so. I know you will agree however, that we must be very careful in this difficult situation and can assure you that the health and safety of all children and staff remains number one priority.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs C Fenna
Headteacher