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Dear Parents and Carers,

School Reopening in September:

We now know that we will be fully open for all children from September. The DfE guidance last Friday said that schools must 'prepare to welcome all children and young people back this autumn.'

The Government guidance (on Gov.uk) is very detailed and specific about how we must do this and there will be new risk assessment in place to ensure the safety of everyone in school. You can be assured that, by the end of the school year, you will have all the details you need to prepare for your child's return to school in September. **School will be open to all children on Monday 7 September 2020.** The arrangements for new Reception pupils will be sent separately.

This is a change to the original opening date to ensure all essential reorganisation of rooms and staffing and additional requirements/training around a new Risk Assessment are in place. This means that there will no Inset days in October or March this academic year. Please see up to date terms dates also attached.

Summer Holidays:

The Secretary of State has announced that schools will be fully closed during the summer holidays. This includes closing for key worker and vulnerable families.

Wider Opening

The last weeks, when we've been open to a wider group of children, have been lovely; the children in school have done an amazing job under very different and difficult working conditions. We all feel very sad that Government guidelines have meant that school has not been open to everyone and we all know that this may have been especially hard for some families. I would like to assure you that the staff at NMPS will do everything possible to help those children 'catch-up' the learning they may have missed and will plan, with great care, to ensure that pupils are welcomed back into their classes after the long break from normal schooling.

Please look out for details of staggered staff and finish times for September next week. Staff will be sending home a short introductory video to the pupils in their new classes on Tuesday 21 July 2020.

Wishing you all the best and hoping you are all safe and well.

C Whetstone
Headteacher

