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Dear Parents and Carers of YR, Y1, and Y6,

As you know, it was very much hoped by the Government (and us) that all children would be able to return to school before the end of the Summer term. Unfortunately, due to the continued need for social distancing and ensuring pupils and staff remain safe in the school environment, the Government recently announced that they realised this would not be feasible and schools could only welcome more pupils back if they had spare capacity in terms of staff and space. As you know, we have neither.

Obviously, as I'm sure you can imagine, this has created a lot of disappointment for our children in Years 2,3,4 and 5 who by the time they return in September (all being well) will have not been in school for over 5 months. I have therefore been trying to come up with a way to enable them to return, even for just one day, just so that they are able to get at least some closure before the Summer holidays.

I have come up with a plan that would enable each of those Year groups to have one day in school during the week commencing 13th July but need your assistance/agreement with this as it would mean that your children would miss **one day** of school that week.

During the week commencing the 13th July the arrangements would be as follows:

Date:	Bubble <u>not in school</u>
Monday 13 th July 2020	Miss Barbers Year 1 bubble <u>not in.</u>
Tuesday 14 th July 2020	Mrs Gwilliam's Year 6 Monday/Tuesday bubble <u>not in.</u>
Wednesday 15 th July 2020	Miss Burbridge's Year R/1 bubble <u>not in.</u>
Thursday 16 th July 2020	Mrs Gwilliam's Year 6 Wednesday/Thursday bubble <u>not in.</u>

I feel very strongly about the benefits of the children in Years 2,3,4 and 5 being able to see the school, their teachers and their friends and I am sure you have seen these benefits with your own children. I would therefore very much appreciate your support with this.

Can you please confirm by **Thursday the 2nd July** that you would be in agreement with the above so that I can then formally invite each of those year groups back for one of those day. A simple emailed reply saying 'Yes' is fine. If you are not in agreement, can you please outline why so we can address any issues.

Please note, these arrangements will not affect children in the two Key Worker bubbles who will continue to come into school as usual and will remain in their existing bubbles even if their Year groups are in, as we are not able to mix them.

I look forward to hearing from you and want to thank you in advance for your support.

Kind regards,

Mrs Hanratty

