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Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you have all had a productive week and been able to enjoy some of the new freedoms that have come, even if everything seems to now take twice as long!

We have seen some excellent work coming in on the VLE for the children who are still learning at home, and those in school have continued to impress us with their adaptability and focus.

Next week's theme is 'Survival Skills' – something we have all had to hone over the last few months. Hopefully the children will enjoy the opportunity to be original and innovative in their response to the tasks. You never know one of them could be the next Bear Grylls!

As we mentioned last week, the Government finally made the decision that to bring all pupils back before the Summer break was not going to be feasible for many settings. We received further guidance this week in which they asked schools to assess if they have any capacity in regards to staff or space to bring year groups back who have not yet been prioritised. Unfortunately for us, and a lot of other schools with the exception of Junior schools or schools who have very few children of key workers, at the moment this is not something we can do as we are already at capacity in terms of space and staffing.

Obviously if the guidance changes again, we will re assess as we would very much like to have all of our children back in at some point before the end of the Summer term even if just for a short time.

Thank you for your continued support and if you have any questions or concerns specific to your child's learning or well-being, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Finally, can I please remind everyone again that school will be closed on Friday the 26th June for INSET.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

Mrs Hanratty Headteacher Mrs Gwilliam Deputy Headteacher

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