

# GIG MILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Monday 18th May 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

In light of the Prime Ministers announcement about reopening schools, we wanted to write to you to let you know how this affects us all at Gig Mill as a school community. It is important to know that school leaders heard the news from the Ministerial Briefing as you did on May 10<sup>th</sup>, and since then have had frequent updates both from the government, and the Local Authority.

As always safety is paramount – both for staff in school, and for our Gig Mill pupils, and wider families at home. Clearly, any plans to open for some or all pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 in June, needs very careful consideration.

The Local Authority has been working closely with schools since the start of the coronavirus crisis and continues to liaise with head teachers and the Department for Education as we plan the next steps. We will update you as soon as we are able to with any relevant information about potential reopening, however at the current time, there are no changes, including to the arrangements for the provision of childcare for the children of key workers.

As part of our risk assessment, prior to phased wider opening, we are sending out a questionnaire regarding childcare for key workers. Once we have these completed responses, we will be able to plan ahead.

Children who are not to be in school due to underlying health conditions

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/staying-alert-and-safe-social-distancing/staying-alert-and-safe-social-distancing>

We shall let you know further information as it becomes available but in the meantime, please don't hesitate to contact us if there is anything that we can help with. Stay safe.

Kind regards,

Mrs Hannaway  
Headteacher

Mr Edgar  
Chair of Governors