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Dear Parents,

Just a short letter to update you on where we currently are regarding a phased reopening.

This week myself and a group of governors worked together to write the schools risk assessments and these have now been approved by staff and the governing body.

We have sent these to the County Council and once they have been approved and implemented, we will be able to begin a phased reopening.

Our intention is to reopen to children of Key Workers and vulnerable children initially. To begin with, they will be the only children in school. These children will be split into two cohorts, with preschool and reception children in one cohort and children from Year 1 to Year 6 in the other cohort. If you have identified yourself as a Key Worker who needs childcare, we will be contacting you individually to check if you are still wanting provision. If your circumstances have changed and you are now in this category, please contact us as soon as possible on amelia@stbeesvillage.cumbria.sch.uk.

The next step in our plan would be to open to Year 6 children and finally to children in pre-school. It is highly unlikely that we will reopen to other year groups due to staffing and space required.

We are yet to confirm dates, but will keep you updated as and when things change.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all staff for their hard work during this time, between preparing home learning packs, responding to messages on emails and apps, contacting parents and attending online staff meetings we have been on a steep learning curve and everyone has worked hard to make this possible. We would also like to thank governors and the LA for their support and the work they are putting in behind the scenes and their continual support to staff. Finally a thank you to parents for their support, for remaining in contact with regular updates of how you are all doing and for supporting our pupils in their home learning activities.

Have a wonderful half term, and we will let you know when we have any more news.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Winn
Acting Headteacher

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Chair of Governors