

SHINCLIFFE C. of E. (CONTROLLED) PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

I hope you are all keeping well.

We look forward to welcoming back some further pupils in R, Y1 and Y6 beginning next week. Extensive information regarding this has been shared. I ask parents to refer to my previous letters for details. It is important that we all follow this guidance carefully in order to minimize the risk of Covid-19 spreading. **You must only attend school if you have requested a place.**

You, at exactly the same time as I (as schools are given no prior information), will have heard via the news the Government's announcement regarding the return of other year groups (Y2-5) before the summer. They are stating that schools may invite other year groups if they are able. The current DfE advice is that children need to be taught in groups of no more than 15. Given this requirement, and our limited number of classrooms and teaching staff, I do not envisage any further year groups will be able to return to school before September. We await further guidance from the DfE and Local Authority. I will update you as soon as I am able. I thank parents for their patience as we all await clarity in these matters.

Our DB Primary learning platform will be updated tomorrow with additional class resources to support your children with their learning next week. As all available staff will be required to staff school for the children returning, it may not be your child's class teacher who updates home learning resources from Monday. Mrs. Anderson will be leading our home learning provision and will be liaising closely with class teachers.

For updates, please continue to use the dedicated Coronavirus section of the School Website: <http://www.shincliffe.durham.sch.uk/parents/coronavirus-update/>

Stay safe and stay well.

Yours sincerely

Mr Tait