

5th June 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Moving Forward - Big Step 1 - Update

The start of this week saw us open the doors to children from Reception, Year 1 and Year 6. Together with the children attending our key worker provision this has seen our school begin to come alive this week.

It has been refreshing for all of us to see so many children walking through the school gates this week - around 75% of those invited, we are respectful of those parents and children who took the leap to join us.

We are equally respectful of those of you with children in the Reception, Year 1 and 6 year groups who have chosen to keep your children home until the wider picture improves. As has been mentioned previously, all children's places will be 'kept open' so that when the time feels right you will be able to join us smoothly.

We hope that by keeping you in the picture through brief texts this week, all of our school community have a sense of what is going on at Haytor View. We plan to continue to share this information as we move forward over the coming weeks. We are also working hard to ensure that website activities and learning opportunities remain a priority for us – these will continue to be updated frequently and as always we welcome contact from you via the website, School Gateway or by telephone.

Over the coming weeks we will be continuing to pick up the phone to families and children to say 'hello', these contacts are a real highlight of our work at the moment, particularly for those members of staff who are not yet lucky enough to be sharing time with classes. You are of course welcome to pick up the phone and say 'hello' to us too!

As we look ahead, we still plan to review our provision from Monday 22^{nd} June and all being well nationally and locally we will look forward to being able to welcome more children through the school gates. We will of course keep you in the picture as plans for next steps progress.

We wish you a happy and healthy weekend and look forward to seeing and hearing more from you next week.

Yours sincerely

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