25<sup>th</sup> June 2020



Dear Parents and Carers,

I wanted to update you further to the Government announcement earlier this week about the expectations for the Autumn Term 2020.

It is my understanding that the expectation will be that all children in all year groups will be back at school from the beginning of term in September, and I anticipate that the Government guidance will say that the usual position of school will become compulsory.

Please see below some further key points of information:

- You will have seen the news that families whose children are entitled to receive free school meals will continue to receive vouchers through the summer holiday
- The additional opening of schools for children of key workers and vulnerable children ends on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July
- We are not sure whether current quarantine arrangements for foreign holidays will continue, but we expect all children to be available for school when term starts
- We are liaising with Prestige Sports to see what Summer activities may be possible for our pupils. However, due to significant building works taking place on site over the Summer holidays, it will not be possible to hold any such activities at Place Farm. We will update you further as soon as we are able
- Government advice schools has not yet been released, but expect strict hygiene to continue, and some of our other measures to remain in place to reduce risks. I will write to you again in good time before term starts
- We have revised our start of term date to provide an additional day of training to ensure our staff are fully briefed and trained for the new arrangements expected, following the disruption to this school year term will start on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> September

For those children and family members that have been shielding, I recognise that some of you may have particular worries or concerns - please do not hesitate to get in touch over the coming weeks via admin@placefarm.org.uk

You will receive an email on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June sharing a parental survey. Unity Schools Partnership are taking part in a national survey linked to Covid 19. I would really appreciate it if you complete this.

Thank you for all your support during these challenging times.

Yours sincerely

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Mrs Jane Sendall <u>Headteacher</u>