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Dear Parents and Carers of children in Nursery, Reception, Year 1, Year 6 and those attending essential childcare,

Earlier this morning we informed you about our revised school reopening plan. Since then, we have received notification from Durham County Council that schools are advised **not to open to wider numbers of pupils until 15th June**. This directive has been given following advice from SAGE, the lack of contact tracing mechanisms and the high infection rate in our area. The Local Authority has acknowledged that a huge amount of preparation will have gone into 'reopening' schools on the planned earlier dates, but the LA feel that this new timeframe will also give schools more time to ensure that they are sufficiently prepared and ready to welcome more pupils back safely.

This means that the planned return of pupils in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 has been delayed by one week. The revised dates are:

- **Tuesday 2nd June – Friday 5th June** School is open to children of keyworkers only
- **Monday 8th June – Thursday 11th June** School is open to children of keyworkers only (School closed for deep clean on Friday 12th June)
- **Monday 15th June** - School opens for **Nursery and Reception** pupils to return
- **Monday 22nd June** School opens for **Year 1** pupils to return
- **Wednesday 24th June** School opens for **Year 6** pupils to return

We will still be open for vulnerable pupils and children of keyworkers as usual throughout this period. Please note that we will still be closed to all pupils on Monday 1st June for planning and staff training. We will now not need to close on Friday 5th June but will be **closed to all pupils on Friday 12th June** for deep cleaning in preparation for opening to more pupils from 15th June. Please note that the drop off and pick up times for essential care are slightly different from Monday 15th June (see revised 'Safe Return to School Parent Guidance' for details).

We apologise for the short notice and the upset and confusion this may cause for families. This is a **Local Authority Decision** and we are sharing it with you as we have been informed.

Thank you again for your support and understanding during these times.

Kind regards,

S. Whelerton and the staff of Staindrop CE Primary School

