



# ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL (MURTON)

Message from the Headteacher:

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are currently setting up the school to welcome back different Year groups – Year 1 children have been identified as a Year group which will be one of the first to come back to school along with RY and Y6. At present there are **no plans** to reopen the school on the 1<sup>st</sup> June 2020, since this will depend upon information from government's scientific advisors, which will hopefully inform us that the criteria set by the government has been met.

When the school does reopen we will be phasing the children in – one Year group at a time. Thus, providing time to establish new routines for both parents and children.

Obviously, no school can guarantee that the reopening of schools is risk free from the COVID-19 virus, however, we will establish very strict rules when children do return and the set up within classrooms will be quite different from before the school closure. The expectation will be that there are no more than 15 children in a classroom and that the children are taught in a more formal way in order to reduce risk and maintain social distancing.

At the moment our plan for Y1 children would be to split the class into 2, thus creating two groups of 11 children. However, this all depends on numbers of children who are coming back to school when the school reopens some time in June. Therefore, to help us with our planning can you please let us know if you are prepared to send your child back to school in June?

Details of drop off and collection times and the procedures for this will be sent out at a later date.

I hope everyone is keeping well and following 'Stay at Home' guidance and limiting contacts.

Best regards,

Miss J. Jones

Exec. Headteacher