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Dear Parents / Carers,

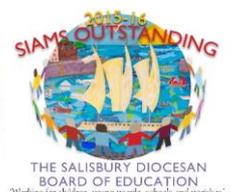
Following a very successful wider opening of the school, I would like to take this opportunity to thank parents, students and governors for your unerring support throughout this difficult period. We have had to make some very important and difficult decisions during this time and having such a supportive community have made these decisions much easier. Whether you are a key worker requiring childcare or a parent who has decided to continue to home school I would like to thank you, as I know these decisions throughout this time will have been difficult for everybody.

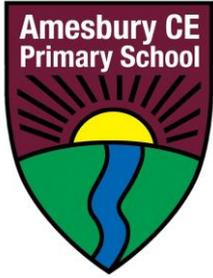
The full and most up to date details of how the school will operate is on the school website under the 'Covid' tab, this includes plans for pick up and drop off, risk assessments, changes to the behaviour policy and the operational plans for the running of the school. This section has also been updated today with a flow diagram to explain the response in case of a member of staff or student presents Covid symptoms. All documents will be updated as appropriate so please refer here if you have any questions. If they cannot be answered within these documents do not hesitate to contact the school. However, please note, if national guidance, staffing levels, or pupil numbers in specific areas change this may result in a reduction. Myself and the governing body will continually review this provision and update you in relation to any changes that that we need to make.

As you will now be aware, for those not attending school, we will continue to provide work. However as staff will have increased responsibilities in school this may be slightly reduced or different to what you have been receiving. In school we are focusing our initial curriculum time on understanding the current situation and the impact it has had on them and the changes to school. We will then increase the traditional curriculum content at an appropriate point. I would caution parents to consider all of the guidance provided when making decisions as to whether to send children into school, especially if their child has any underlying health conditions or may find social distancing or the policies in place difficult. I would also like to confirm that parents will not face any ramifications if they choose not to send their child to school or keep them off school at any point during this phase of reopening. Please advise the school if your child is eligible to attend school but is not coming in due to advice from a medical professional regarding shielding or self-isolating. If your child is eligible to and you have planned for your child to attend school but they do not due to illness, please provide the school with information about the illness advising whether the illness involves coronavirus symptoms.

We will continue to be in contact through weekly correspondence from myself as well as the Newsletter. This is also supported by the Radio Shack which can be found on the school website under the 'children' tab. Teachers will also correspond with students through the class page on the website as well as through the school Twitter feed, Instagram, YouTube channel and Facebook page. We also still have a large number of books that we are making available for the public to take free of charge from outside of the school gates.

You will be aware that our school is full of excellent staff and I would therefore like to remind you of a great opportunity to nominate and thank any member of staff you feel is deserving, I know it would mean a great deal to any staff that are nominated. The link to nominate is here <http://form.jotform.com/200894372507357>.





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If your circumstances have changed and you meet the criteria to send your child to school you must communicate with the school in order for us to be able to update our planning. With the current guidance and procedures in place, if we do have a reduced maximum capacity and should we become over subscribed, we would need to prioritise students as directed by the current guidance at that time. An additional student is unlikely therefore to be able to start with us immediately.

Once again I thank you for your continued support and I hope you and your family are keeping safe.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Vanessa', is written in black ink.

