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Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you for your patience and understanding with the fast pace of change and information at such short notice. Like I said yesterday, this has been out of my control and not how I usually work. Headteachers have been asked to make a decision regarding closure of classes by looking at whether there are enough staff to run the class effectively and safely.

Due to a high percentage of staff not able to come into work to teach **full classes** from tomorrow we have made the decision to close all classes apart from Nursery. **School will be open for all children of critical workers, children with an EHCP and children with a social worker.** You will have received a notification on Parentmail this morning to ask you to complete a form if your child needs to come in because of parents being critical workers or if your child is vulnerable. Please complete this as soon as you can.

Please see below the situation for your child's class

Name of Class	Open or Closed.
Year 2 Barn Owl	Closed
Year 2 Raven	Closed
Year 2 Kestrel	Closed
Year 1 Skylark	Closed
Year 1 Swift	Closed
Year 1 Swallow	Closed
Year R Greenfinch	Closed
Year R Goldfinch	Closed
Year R Chaffinch	Closed
Nursery	Open
Early Club	Open for children who are in school – this is subject to review.
Acorns After School Club	Hoping to open to children in school but will confirm.

I understand completely that some of you might feel anxious about sending your children into school and I can reassure you that we have done everything we can to make the environment as safe as possible, given the situation we find ourselves in. It is your decision whether you send your child to school or not.

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If your child is attending school tomorrow then please can they wear school uniform and the usual staggered start and end times to the day will be in place and it is vital that these are adhered to. For children who are not in school then the teachers will provide remote learning and will keep in touch with you. We will use our school facebook page again to celebrate all that is going on at home, so please send it in via Facebook messenger if you would like it on the school facebook page. By doing this you are giving permission for your child's photo to be on the page.

We will review the closure of classes on a very regular basis and if the staffing situation changes then we will make decisions accordingly. Unfortunately we are not in the position to be able to give a time frame on this. You can understand that most of the decisions are out of our control.

It is hard to put into words quite how grateful I am for your continued support and trust in us as a school. We will continue to take one day at a time and that is all we can do right now.

Yours faithfully

Rebecca Westall

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