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## SCHOOL CLOSURE- HEADTEACHER UPDATE

Dear Parent/ Carers,

Thank you for your patience whilst we review our current situation. We know that it has been an inconvenient and worrying time but we are being cautious, particularly with both staff and pupil confirmed positive cases now reported. The new variant is reported to be 60% more transmissible and with local cases rising we need to make sure we are doing all we can before we welcome children back to school.

Following a meeting with Wirral Local Authority COVID response team and Public Health, the decision made to close the school has been upheld. Children will not return to school on Monday, school will remain closed for all pupils due to staff shortages and remote learning will be live from 8.30am on Monday morning. We know that this is not what we wanted to hear and you know that I was keen to reopen for at least some of our pupils but we must follow the advice and guidance given to us at this time.

I am proposing that we reopen on Tuesday for Early Years, Reception, SCD1, Year 1 and 2 and have some limited spaces for key workers and a full reopening on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June for all children. These plans will need to be approved by the relevant bodies and they have agreed to meet with us again Monday afternoon to review and make a final decision. Unless Wirral LA, Public Health and our school governors agree and approve my request, school will stay closed for all until Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June.

We hope you understand why this cautious approach is being taken at this time and the reasons why school had no choice but to close.

I will be in touch again on Monday afternoon following the meeting and hopefully I will have news that is more positive for you.

We really appreciate your patience and ongoing support of the school and we look forward to welcoming you all back at some point next week.

Have a wonderful weekend, enjoy the sun and please stay safe.

Kind regards,

**Mrs Morris** 



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