



Monday 18th May 2020

Dear Parents & Carers,

RE: May Half Term Provision & PD Day on Monday 1st June 2020

No doubt you will be aware of the government's announcement relating to the 'reopening' of schools as part of a phased COVID-19 recovery strategy. This strategy involves taking decisive steps towards recovery, with strict conditions to safely move from each step to the next.

We have been working hard as a staff over the last week to digest the government guidance and reflect on views from parents and carers, teachers and other professional bodies. There has been a lot of information to absorb, so thank you for bearing with us.

I am sure you will have a whole host of questions, some of which may be answered by reading The government guidance for parents and carers here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers/reopening-schools-and-other-educational-settings-from-1-june>. I will be writing to you again before we enter this next phase giving you more detailed information.

Although we had intended to keep our in-school care provision open through half term (to vulnerable children and those of key worker parents), we have made the decision to close school completely for the normal May Half Term from Monday 25th May to Friday 29th May. We will not be providing home learning activities during the half term break (parents and children have been working hard and need a break from home learning!). This will also give staff the time to plan and the opportunity to reorganise the school building and environment in readiness for the reopening; it will give us the best possible chance to succeed with these new requirements. It will also be an important break for those children who have had to attend school regularly over recent weeks and for whom school is going to feel quite different once again very soon.

If there are a very small number of key worker children needing places in the half term holiday, provision may be available at another setting. If you believe your child(ren) will require spaces, please contact school on a3091@telford.gov.uk and we can refer this to the Local authority.

We have also made the decision to remain shut on Monday 1st June, a planned PD day, so that we have an opportunity as a collective staff to be trained in preparation for the reopening of school on Tuesday 2nd June.

Things may now go a little quiet for a few days, that is just because we are busy making our plans. We will aim to send these out to you by the end of this week.

Many thanks for your patience.

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