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Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Latest Government Announcement

As I am sure you are aware, on Monday 14th June, the Prime Minister announced that he was not able to say that we have met all four tests for proceeding with Step 4 and thinks it is sensible to wait just a little longer. This will give time for the vaccination programme to protect people from the virus in light of the new variant. Therefore in schools, we are required to proceed with our current arrangements to help reduce the transmission of the virus, for the remainder of this school year. .

Obviously this was not what any of us wanted to hear and it will have an impact on the end of term events we had got planned. There are no restrictions on staff and pupils participating in outdoor school events such as sports days and outdoor performances (including singing), subject to a risk assessment being carried out and hygiene measures being put in place. However we are not able to open them up to parents and carers, as we had very much hoped to do, as the number of visitors attending events is still limited to a maximum of 30, and it would be unfair to open up for some parents but not others.

Sports Days – we will still to go ahead with this event for the benefit of the children; a thorough risk assessment of the session will be in carried out and additional measures in place as required. As these are held in a public place, I respectfully ask that you do not ‘wander’ up to the fields on the dates of the events as we want it to be fair on everyone, and do not want be at risk of breaching the restrictions. Thank you.

End of Year plays – these will be prepared and rehearsed in school, and then filmed in the same way that we did at Christmas time. The links will be shared with you to view at home.

Leavers’ Assembly – these will be streamed ‘live’ to all parents virtual via a Google meet, and the link will be shared nearer the time. The dates of the assemblies will be the same as ones you have already been given in previous newsletters.

I appreciated this is disappointing for you as parents, and we too are disappointed, but it really is out of our hands. I thank you yet again for your understanding and support and we have everything crossed for July 19th so we can enjoy a restriction-free summer holiday.

Many thanks

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gail Jerman'.

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