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Headteacher's news:

<u>School closure: Week 7</u>

I have been extremely busy this week planning for the partial re-opening of school from 1 June. The government still needs to announce that the 5 key tests have been met but schools across the country have had to make their plans on the assumption that this will be confirmed. I expect this to be next week at some point.

I published our planning strategy on Wednesday as well as our risk assessment. These documents can be found <u>here</u> in the news section of the website. There is a second <u>survey</u> which **must be completed** by the parents / carers of all Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 children. As I write, I have had 120 responses (from a possible 158) to this survey. If you haven't completed the survey, stating that your child will or will not be attending school from 1 June, please do so as soon as possible.

Once I have final confirmation of pupil attendance, I will be able to draft the finer details for the staggered re-opening of school. I will publish this information in the news section of the website and alert you with a text message. This will be a 'working document' and will include important information about:

- timings of the day for each cohort (beginning and end)
- access to the site including one way system arrangements
- drop off and pick up points
- how to keep safe whilst on site
- expected staffing plan and lunchtime arrangements

I am looking forward to seeing more children in school after half-term but look forward even more to a time when we are able to safely welcome everyone back. Naturally, much of my recent correspondence has been directed at the families of our 'priority groups' but I do want to say a big thank you to the children, parents and carers of our 'learning from home groups'. The ongoing commitments you are making so that we can move safely to the next stage on the road map to recovery are just as important as the commitments of those who are returning to school.

Take care, stay safe and have a good half-term.

There is no Home Learning for next week as it is half-term. Try and switch off from the formal activities that you have been completing with the children whilst maintaining a sense of routine with daily reading (bedtime stories), daily exercise and daily conversations at meal times. Limit screen time and enjoy the outdoors whilst staying safe.

The teachers have left a message for you. Click on your child's class page below to read what they have to say:

<u>Nursery</u>	<u>Reception</u>	<u>Year1 Pear</u> <u>Year 1/2</u>	<u>Lime</u>	Year 2 Cherry
Yec	r 3 Willow	<u>Year 3/4 Cedar</u>	Yea	r 4 Beech
	<u>Year 5 Oak</u>	<u>Year 5/6 Ash</u>	Yea	r 6 Maple



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This week's theme is:

18-24 May National Scavenger Hunt Day (and International Day for Biological Diversity)

If you missed this item last week, here is a quick reminder...

We would like the children to get involved with The Great Science Share from home by:

- registering on the <u>GSS website</u>

- uploading photos and videos of the work that your children have produced - visiting the <u>Science page</u> of the school website for new ideas and useful links - sending us examples of your science work so that we can share with Rufford Park School Community.



Milk...

We have cancelled the milk order for the week beginning 1 June whilst we

prioritise the safe re-opening of the school. We will work to set up the safe delivery of milk for the children from 8 June. Thank you for your understanding.

Free School Meals

We have issued another FSM voucher to all the families with this entitlement. The voucher is in lieu of half-term as we are unable to provide a daily meal. Please check your emails. Grab-a-bags will be available again from 1 June.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 22 May: School closes for the half-term holiday

Monday 1 June: School re-opens for key worker and vulnerable children

Tuesday 2 June: Planned staggered re-opening of school begins. Please see the <u>Planning strategy: 1 June partial re-opening</u> of school document for the details