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12 February 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

Nursery Provision Update

On behalf of staff and governors I wanted to say thank you for your continued understanding of the situation with regards to the closure of Nursery.

I am pleased to say that we are now in a position to open Nursery after half term for those children who wish to return. We have had to make some alternative staffing arrangements as Mrs Tritton is not fully recovered.

Mrs Tritton will be returning to work on a phased return, working Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. Mrs Carter, (a supply teacher whom we use regularly at Greenway) will be the Nursery teacher for the two weeks up to Friday 5 March. Mrs Tritton will be liaising closely with Mrs Carter with regards to planning the Nursery curriculum for your children. Mrs Smith, our Early Years Practitioner is able to return to work full time and will be supporting Mrs Tritton and Mrs Carter.

From Monday 22 February Nursery provision will be in operation from 9am -midday and our 30 hours provision will be in operation from 12-3pm.

When I spoke with you all individually two or three weeks ago, I had asked whether or not you thought you would want your child to return to Nursery should we be in a position to re-open the provision. I appreciate that your thoughts may have changed. To facilitate our planning, I would therefore ask that you all advise me via email **by Monday 15 February with confirmation** as to whether you would like your child to attend Nursery after half term - head@greenway.herts.sch.uk .

For those children returning, staff will meet you and your child at the school gates on Crossways for both drop off and pick up. Parents will not be allowed on to the school site.

As you will be aware we are awaiting the Government's announcement (currently scheduled for Monday 22 February) of their 'road map' for coming out of lockdown, which may include plans for the reopening of schools. I will write to you to confirm further details around staffing and arrangements once we have been informed of the Government's plans.

Please do not hesitate to contact head@greenway.herts.sch.uk if you have any queries or concerns and we will respond accordingly.

Regards

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Headteacher