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Dear Parent/Carer

We hope all that you and your families are well. You will be aware that at present, whilst a direction of travel was announced by the Prime Minister recently, there remain many unanswered questions regarding the re-opening of schools in our country. When it happens, it is likely to be primary schools first, with certain year groups (Reception, Yr1 and Yr6) joining the pupils currently attending (the children of workers and vulnerable pupils). Whilst we also have a provisional date (Monday June 1st), so much still depends on what happens when other restrictions are lifted and, aside from that of course, a lot of further additional detail is still awaited.

What I can assure you of is that we are working through a host of possible scenarios, whilst maintaining the health and safety of our staff and pupils as the prime directive. When we know more, will we communicate it in a clear and timely manner.

This letter is primarily to inform you of an exciting appointment that we have made at Akroydon Primary Academy. From September 2020, our new permanent Principal will be Mrs Annie McNally. Mrs McNally is already an experienced Principal, having successfully led another primary school for a period of time in our area. She relocated a couple of years ago to Leeds, but the draw of Halifax proved too much and we are delighted to have secured her services. I am sure she will be a real asset to our school's continuing journey to excellence and I know that she is looking forward to getting started and meeting you all.

Following this appointment, Mr Grant-Roberts, who has stepped in and performed the role of Acting Principal with great aplomb, will resume his substantive role of Vice Principal. Alongside this, an additional Assistant Principal has been appointed (Miss Dulcie Lawton) at Easter to add further additional capacity to the team. These promise to be exciting times for the school and, when we do re-open, I am confident that we will 'hit the ground running.'

Once again, thank you for all your support to date, and hopefully we will be seeing you all soon, safe and well.

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