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Dear Parents and Carers,

22nd June 2020

WIDER OPENING TO YEAR GROUPS

We are acutely aware that some of our Hamsey pupils have now been out of school for some considerable time, and have been considering all options to facilitate a safe return for Years, 2, 3, 4 and 5 before the summer holidays.

The arrangements - outlined below - rest on knowing the **exact** numbers of pupils who will likely return to school. We will be prioritising our key worker and vulnerable children but would love to invite children in **Year 2, 3, 4 & 5** if parents indicate they would like them to return. In this letter, we briefly explain our initial plan for welcoming back as many pupils as possible – as safely as possible – and what information we need from you, our parent/carer community.

To allow the other year groups to return, we will be closing the Year 6 bubble on 3/7/20. Year 6 will be leaving us on **Friday 3rd July** following their Patina celebration in school. This will give other children within our school an opportunity to attend and support their transition into the new academic year. We wish the Year 6 pupils all the best in their next adventure, too, of course.

We will continue to offer on-site schooling for Reception, Year 1, key worker and vulnerable children until the summer break. From the week beginning **Monday 29th June** we will be moving Year 5 key worker children into the Year 6 bubble (depending on Y5 numbers), this will allow for additional space within our key worker and vulnerable bubble. We want to encourage those families that are key workers to take up a place if they require one and have not done so already.

If your child is not currently attending school (in Years 2, 3, 4 & 5) and you would like them to return on a part time basis, please indicate you would like your child to return to school before the summer break. Our plan is to allow these year groups to come into school on a rota basis starting from **Monday 6th July** (depending on key worker and vulnerable numbers). This would allow for all children (who want to return) an opportunity to spend time in school before the summer break. Those that do return could be in a bubble with children of different year groups, so please take this into consideration; this has worked well within our keyworker and vulnerable bubble.

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To register your interest please either ring the School Office on **01273 400370** or email hamseyoffice@skylarkfed.education and provide the following information –

- Name of child/ren
- Year Groups
- Key worker information- if applicable.

Please consider carefully if you plan on sending your child back from Monday 29th June or Monday 6th July – our timetable will be based on the numbers and feedback we receive. **We will need your response by 1pm next Wednesday 24th June 2020, if we do not receive a response you will not be offered a place before the summer break.**

Kind regards,

Mr S James
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