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Dear parents/carers,

Can you believe it is half term already? They say time flies when you're having fun. I can't particularly say we have been having fun without the children recently, but we certainly have been busy. Thank you for your patience with teachers and staff who have been in school preparing classrooms to be suitable to potentially accommodate children from the start of June in line with the government's latest guidance.

More details will be sent out to all parents about our possible provision from the start of June on **Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May**. We are planning to welcome children to school from **Tuesday June 2<sup>nd</sup>** as Monday will be a staff training day to ensure all staff are aware of our risk assessments and procedures. Children will be kept in a small group which will not mix with other groups including at break and lunch times. The classrooms have been adapted to allow easy cleaning twice a day, this means all soft furnishings have been removed as has anything that is hard to clean, including paper displays. Children will be seated 2 metres apart when in class and asked to maintain socially distancing where possible.

Here are what class 1 and class 2 classrooms look like:



Initially, we predicted that we would be able to accommodate 6 children within the school based on 3 children in two classes. Having emptied the rooms and using the hall as a storage area we are now able to accommodate 9 children. At the moment, we are expecting 2 children.

In addition to this letter there is a letter from Daryll Chapman, CEO of the Trust.

We will be uploading some activities the children may like to do during the half term, these are optional and children are not required to complete them. The staff at Northlew would like to thank you once again for your continued support and engagement through these difficult times. We would like to wish you and your families a wonderful half term break. If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact us directly on our work emails or the class dojo sites.

Keep safe and well.

Mrs Cook and the staff at Northlew