



# St Thomas More

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

I hope this email finds you well and you have been enjoying the beautiful weather.

Thank you for your patience. We have been waiting for clarification and advice from the DfEE before informing you further.

Please see below a few photographs of the changes that we have had to make to our classroom, following the latest guidance from the DfEE, enabling us to open the school on 2<sup>nd</sup> June.

To enable us all to support the transition back into school for the 10 children that will be returning (two bubbles of 8 – details to follow) I would be grateful if you could share these before and after photographs with your child.

The sofa, soft furnishings, mosquito net, blankets and interactive photographs of our families have all had to be removed; as has the selection of books that are available for the children to read. This will ensure that we can keep the area clean.

In the same way, you will see how we have had to remove the majority of the role play area for the same reason and spaced the tables out, to enable up to four children sitting one per table with a two metre distance.

The mud kitchen and covered reading area outside will also be taped off when the children return.

Please also refer to Mrs Little's initial letter with key information regarding the changes in how the school will be upon your child's return. The children in school will be completing the same activities posted on the website weekly for those who are learning from home.

Mrs Duggan has kindly made the staff at school masks to wear should they choose to wear one; of which we are very grateful. I have also added a photograph of myself wearing a mask, so the children who are returning will know what to expect when I collect them from the school gate.

Our classrooms in both nursery and reception are very bare and it is important that the children know this.

We have not changed how we care for and nurture your children; but sadly, at this time, we have had to change dramatically change the environment that they are used to; the way we interact with them and the way in which they can interact with each other. We will however, do our very best to ensure that their time in school is a positive one and focus on supporting their mental health and well-being as well as their achievement.

With Best wishes,

Mrs Emma Adams

**EYFS Leader**



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Our cosy, inviting book area as the children will remember it.



Our reading area for the rest of summer



And this is me! I am smiling!



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Our role play area before the Easter holidays.



And now, for the rest of the summer



Chairs 2m apart for 4 children to sit at a table