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Dear Parent Carer

I am writing on behalf of Chadsgrove Governing Body to reiterate how the staff at school are doing everything they can to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all your children as well as themselves at this very challenging time.

Back in July the Governing Body ratified a comprehensive Risk Assessment for the full opening of school in September. This was submitted to Worcestershire County Council and approved by them. This Risk Assessment is a working document and as situations change then so will the risk and the school response. This is why certain processes and procedures are under constant review and may have to change in light of the risk.

The school are doing the very best they can to ensure full communication with parent carers, however, some changes are made whilst the school is in full operation as risks are identified and acted upon quickly to maximise the safety of everyone in the building. We trust that you will work with us and understand that we are changing things for the better, and often letters/messages out cannot be done immediately and that you'll accept our verbal instructions on occasions.

The school is following the Department for Education (DfE) guidance for the full opening of special schools and has put into place all of the processes and procedures laid out in this document.

It is unfortunate that the Governing Body nor the school are able to have an impact on aspects that are outside of our jurisdiction (transport, health, quarantine rules etc.). I want to assure you that the Headteacher and Senior Leaders are doing everything they can to work with these external agencies to ensure that you and your children are being supported.

It is really great that so many of our pupils have returned to school and I am hopeful that we will have everyone back very soon.

Unfortunately, I cannot promise that we will not have any positive tests for COVID-19, however, what I can promise you, is that the systems that we have in place will ensure that we can keep pupils and staff as safe as we possibly can.

I know how anxious these times are, especially when you have vulnerable people within your household and I thank you for your support at this time.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "L Petersen". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial 'L'.

Lorraine Petersen OBE
Chair of Governors
Chadsgrove School