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Dear Parents and Carers,

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Clinically Vulnerable Children and attendance at School

Among the many questions and concerns I know you will have, at the top of your list will be how to ensure that your children and families are kept safe. I have put together the following, which may be of use to you. Press ctrl and click to open the hyperlinks included in this letter. I will also add them to our school website for you to access in case you have any problems.

The recent Government guidance for parents on [Opening schools and educational settings to more pupils from 1 June: guidance for parents and carers](#) states for children who have an education health and care (EHC) plan, attendance is expected where it is determined, following a risk assessment, that their needs can be as safely or more safely met in the educational environment.

Children and young people who are considered [extremely clinically vulnerable and shielding](#) should continue to shield and should not be expected to attend.

Clinically vulnerable (but not clinically extremely vulnerable) people are those considered to be at a higher risk of severe illness from coronavirus. A minority of children will fall into this category, and parents should follow medical advice if their child is in this category.

Children and young people who live in a household with someone who is [extremely clinically vulnerable and shielding](#) should only attend if stringent social distancing can be adhered to and the child or young person is able to understand and follow those instructions.

Children and young people who live with someone who is clinically vulnerable (but not extremely clinically vulnerable) as defined in the [social distancing guidance](#) and including those who are pregnant, can attend.

Hopefully these documents may help to answer some of the questions you may have, I am also available on the enquiry email address above or on the school line, should you require anything more

Kind regards,

Mrs Carrier
Head Teacher

