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Dear Year Six parents/carers,

As I pen this letter, I can hear your children enthusiastically rehearsing their end of year performance and after working with them last week, I know you are in for an absolute treat.

As today has clearly shown, we cannot rely on the weather and with the restrictions being lifted on Monday 19th July, we feel that it would be better to hold the performance in the school hall. The last thing we want to happen after the children have worked so hard, is to have the performance cancelled due to the unpredictable British weather.

We have decided to move the performance indoors because the hall has better acoustics and you will be closer to the children rather than scattered across the field thus allowing you to hear the children say their lines better.

We are very much aware that we agreed to have up to six spectators when we were holding it outdoors and do not want to change this as I am sure you have already made plans, but the relocation to the hall brings with it a considerable amount of thought to ensure everyone is kept safe. If all children have six adults, that is 180 people in our school hall which is too many for a first time of opening the school to our families. We need to ensure that there is adequate ventilation also and if you remember back to the good old days of Christmas assemblies etc. the hall can get very warm.

In order that the six chosen people are able to still see the performance, whilst also reducing the number of people and keeping everyone safe, we will be having two performances on Monday 19th July: one at 9:30am and then a second at 5:30pm which will be followed by the award ceremony. Siblings will be allowed to come out of class to watch the morning performance.

When entering the school you will be asked to sanitise your hands and wear a face mask when moving to your seats. Once you are seated, you may remove your mask and enjoy the performance. If you display any COVID symptoms, we do ask that you do not attend the performance.

We would like to ask for your cooperation in helping us prepare for the performance by looking at which of your chosen people can come to the morning performance and the evening performance. Please could we ask that you complete the following google form: <https://forms.gle/534bmGgqmZEnXSRy6> This will enable us to organise seating. If this could be completed no later than **Thursday 15th July**, that would be great. Unfortunately, if we are not made aware of the numbers from you beforehand and all six spectators arrive at the same performance



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without prior notification, we may need to turn some away to ensure the health and safety of our children and families.

It only seems right that the parents of our Year Six children are the first ones to be welcomed back into the school building. We welcome you with open arms.

Kind regards,

Mrs Jayne Narraway

Headteacher



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