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Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope that you and your family are all safe and well. We have really enjoyed talking to you through our phone calls and home learning drops, we really do miss the children very much! Thank you so much for your emails, messages, photographs and Facebook posts. It has been lovely to see all of the things that you and your child have been doing at home.

We had hoped that we would be able to welcome more children back to nursery before the summer break, however it makes us really sad to say that this is not going to be possible. Taking into account the Governments guidance, we are currently at capacity for the amount of children we are safely able to accommodate within our building. We wish the situation was different and understand, that this is particularly upsetting for the families whose children will leave to go to school in September.

Although we are not able to support our leavers in the ways that we usually would, we are trying hard to look at different ways we can help. Hopefully you will have heard from the Primary School your child will attend. If not, please contact us and we can help you. We are sharing information with schools to try and make sure they know all of the important and special things about your child. You will shortly receive a transition pack and a book for your child about starting school. We are also adding further stories to support transition to our Facebook page. Please don't worry if you don't have a Facebook account, you can access them by going to the Home Page of our website and using the Facebook feed. We are also looking at ways that we can say goodbye to our leavers, making sure that they receive their special Learning Journal. We will be in touch with parents about this.

For the children who will return to us in September and our new starters, we will be in contact as soon as we can, once we have more information to share.

If you need anything at all, please know that we are in nursery each day and we are only at the end of the phone. We are continuing to post home learning ideas on our website and Facebook feed and we will be visiting you with special activities for your child.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding, please stay safe and give your child a big hug from all of us.

Kind regards,

Natalie and all the Nursery Team at Horden Nursery School