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Dear Parents and Carers,

Please can we pass on our sincere thanks for all the expressions of support we've had from numerous parents and carers relating to the difficult decision to close the school to students on Friday. To reiterate, it is the last thing that we wanted to do; students' attendance at school where they can learn, be safely cared for and mix with their friends is vital. A peaceful supervised protest did take place on Friday at 3pm.

We are writing today to confirm that **school will be open as normal tomorrow, Monday 6th November.** We expect that school will function as usual but we will have a more significant staff presence outside the school at the beginning and end of the day to ensure that students are welcomed back to a safe and orderly environment.

During the day on Monday we will be holding assemblies to discuss the recent issues and explain how we are going to move forward together more strongly. There will also be an ongoing program of support to help students who are struggling with their worries and concerns. Above all we will emphasise the importance of getting back to our core purpose of learning; all students working hard with positive attitudes and a strong work ethic. Please reinforce this with your son/daughter before they return to school on Monday.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back in the morning and to having a really positive and productive week.

Yours faithfully,

Mr R Houghton

Headteacher