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5<sup>th</sup> June 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

### **General Election – Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2024 - Part Closure of School**

We have been informed by Durham County Council that our school has been designated as a polling station for the General Election on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2024.

**Unfortunately, following a thorough risk assessment the school will be closed to pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 6. It will remain open to pupils in Year 2, Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5.**

I appreciate that closing for elections to allow the school to be used as a polling station causes our families inconvenience and this is not the decision that we want to make, however, **we are under obligation to do so, and the decision is out of our control.** I would like to apologise for the inconvenience this will cause to families of pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 6.

Further details will follow regarding access arrangements for the children who will be in school on election day.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs L Ashton  
Executive Headteacher