

FAO All Parents/Carers of Bradgate Education Partnership Schools

Dear All

Re: Potential Re-opening of Schools in June

We are sure you have seen in the news the announcement from the government that they would like to see schools starting to re-open in June, if it is safe to do so. In line with government advice, this will be for our Primary schools from June 1st and in a phased programme for our Secondary schools from June 8th. We are writing to let you know what we intend to do as a Trust and specifically at your child's school.

This week we met with all of our Headteachers to begin planning various scenarios for re-opening and we will be continuing this process over the coming days. At the moment we are awaiting further guidance and clarification from the government before confirming our plans. However, we know that this is critically important information for you and your family and therefore we are aiming to confirm and share our plans in detail with you by Friday 22nd May. In the meantime, we may contact you for some basic information and feedback to help us formulate our plans.

We know this is a very difficult time and we will try to be transparent with our decision making and ensure all decisions are in the children's best interests whilst also following the government guidelines and keeping our staff safe. In this spirit we feel it is only fair to share with you now that it seems very unlikely all pupils will return full-time to school before the summer, and that the majority may need to return on a part-time basis to accommodate the government's guidelines. In the Secondary schools the likelihood is that all pupils in Years 10 & 12 will receive a minimum of one day of schooling per week from June 8th to supplement the current programme of remote learning. Details will be communicated as early as possible to allow families to plan accordingly.

Furthermore, although strict hygiene plans and adjustments will be made, schools will not be able to meet the government's 2m social distancing policy. Obviously all of this may be subject to change in the coming days and weeks.

For now, our schools remain open only for children of critical workers and those pupils categorised as vulnerable.

Thank you for your continuing support and we hope to contact you soon with firmer, more detailed plans for your child's return to school.

Yours sincerely

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