

9th July 2020

Dear parents/carers,

Reopening in September

As you may be aware, on 19th June 2020 the government announced that it intended for all schools in England to reopen fully from 1st September. The DfE published the guidance for schools following this announcement last Thursday.

Having had time to digest the information we have now begun to make plans for how the school will operate within the parameters set out by the DfE, which asks us to deliver a full curriculum for all students whilst also adhering to a number of health 'systems of control' to help prevent the spread of COVID-19 and react if a case occurs within the school community.

As you might imagine, there is much for us to do to ensure that we plan effectively so that you can be confident that your child will return to a purposeful, calm and safe environment in the Autumn term. Whilst we are not at a stage to be able to give you further details at this stage, I wanted to write to you now to assure you that we are working very hard behind the scenes, as I am sure many of you will be wondering about our plans. We will publish full information in the coming days and before the end of the summer term.

In the meantime, you may wish to read the information that the DfE has published for parents and carers which can be found here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-in-the-autumn-term>. We will also place a PDF version of this guidance and that published to schools on our website.

I hope you will understand why we are taking a little more time to ensure we get this right for your children and I thank you in anticipation of your support and patience.

Yours sincerely,



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