

Thursday 28th May

Dear Parents/Carers and Families

Many thanks for keeping in touch with school so that we have been able to make plans for a wider opening of the school. As you know, the national guidance is that primary schools will reopen from the 1st June and secondary schools from 15th June.

Obviously this is different for special schools like us, and we have been working closely with families and with the Local Authority to plan a safe and sustainable wider opening of our provision.

This wider opening will take effect from the 8th June, and the Leadership and Management Team are continuing to plan to this, with a detailed and robust risk assessment, thorough plans for three bubbles of pupils and staff in different, separate areas of the school site and all other factors to ensure that this can run as safely and as smoothly as possible. This includes catering, movements around school, waste disposal, allocated areas in school in case a pupil starts to display COVID-19 symptoms.

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing co-operation with us, and to assure you that we continue to work from our firmly embedded person centred ethos, putting the pupils' safety and needs at the heart of our decisions.

If you have requested a place for your child / young person, I will be in touch with you next week to advise you of the offer for them in the bubble arrangement. I know that you will appreciate that all offers will be on a part-time basis.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at school if you wish to discuss this, or any other matter.

Sending you all our very best wishes,

Ann-Marie Ellis
Headteacher