

Monday, 15th June 2020

Ambitions Academies Trust

Dear Parent / Carer

We have really enjoyed seeing so many more of our pupils on our primary and nursery sites this past two weeks. All of the hard work that was done by Principals, their senior team and site staff really paid dividends and made the entry, exit and general movement around school very safe and secure. I would like to say a massive thank you to all parents, carers and pupils who have been at school this half term for their conduct, it has been exemplary.

This week sees the start of our year 10 and 12 students returning, and I hope very much that parents have confidence for their youngsters to attend. It is such an important stage in their education careers, and having a small amount of face to face contact I am sure will help support any anxieties and also keep a tighter check on the learning taking place when they are at home.

We were disappointed that the government retracted their ambition to get all primary pupils back before the summer. Whilst, we appreciate their decision is based on facts and figures that have determined this, it's nonetheless disappointing. There are a great deal of debates taking place nationally regards the way forward for schools, we hope very much that the government does in the next week give a clear indication of what schooling will look like for September so we can really start focusing on these plans. We are of course looking at the maximum numbers we could get on each site on a daily basis, but there are many factors such as staff who are able to be on site, whether we will have a reduction in the current 2m social distancing rule, that has yet have not been resolved.

In these times everyone at the Trust hopes that all of you are staying safe and well. We all hope very much that all of the measures everyone is taking does result in the virus receding to a point where there can be some normality in all our lives. But for now, our message remains that if there is anything you need make sure you contact your school Principals or the Trust, we are here to help, support and to find as many ways as possible to keep our youngsters learning.

Yours faithfully

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