

Thursday, 9th July 2020

**Ambitions Academies Trust** 

Dear Parent / Carer

As we approach the end of the academic year it is hard to put into words just what an extraordinary time it has been for our provisions. I would like to thank all our parents and carers for all the support you have given the provisions – be that schools or nurseries over the past 4 months.

I know that all of our staff have tried so hard throughout this period to provide every level of support that has been needed. Of course, the education has been key for them to get right which has been such a challenge. For parents and carers, this period of time where home schooling has taken place for the majority, you have had to deal with so much; again, however much you have supported your child over this period with all the very much appreciated difficulties, we would like to say well done for getting through it. We know it has not been easy.

The Trust very much hopes that whilst it cannot be underestimated how hard this period has been for parents and carers – that you have had as much support from your Principals that has been possible.

It has been so lovely over the past 7 weeks seeing more and more of our youngsters back – be that in schools or nurseries. Again, I hope all of the provisions have given your children the very best experience in such difficult times.

With the new guidance that came out last week the message is very much that schools will be fully open come September. We are delighted to now be planning for this to happen. Whilst the Principals will work tirelessly to ensure everything is the best it can be when everyone returns, we will still have some measures that will remain, probably for the first term at least. Children will have to routinely wash their hands, adults will routinely have to keep their distance from pupils. There will be staggered starts and finishes; different arrangements for lunchtime and break-time and the overall experience will not be able to be "back to normal". But the Trust would like to reassure you that we will take every precaution to make sure it is a safe environment.

So, until we return in September, I hope that you all remain safe and well. We can't wait to see <u>ALL</u> pupils in September and all of the schools and nurseries will ensure you are fully informed as to what timetables will be in place for everybody to ensure the smoothest transition in September.

Our breakfast and after school clubs will also be fully open in September so don't forget to book your place by the deadline if you require this service!

Again, we can't thank you enough for all <u>YOU</u> have done over the past 4 months. We all wish you a happy rest of the summer.

Yours faithfully

**Sian Thomas** 

**CEO** 

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