



# SS Peter & Paul RC Primary School

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Dear Parents/ Carers

We hope that you and your families continue to be safe and well.

The governors of Ss Peter and Paul met on the 3rd June 2020 to consider the date from which, given the current situation, it could be safe to open our school for Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 pupils. We will continue to offer provision to vulnerable and key worker children following government guidelines.

Mrs Butt and the governors have unanimously agreed that we intend to extend the opening of Ss Peter and Paul to Year Six children only on the 15th June 2020.

Governors felt that Year Six children would have the greatest understanding of the need to socially distance within school and would benefit from the time in school before transitioning to secondary school.

In reaching a decision regarding wider school opening, the key consideration has been the safety of our students and staff, and the communities they serve. As governors we have carefully considered how to enable this process of wider opening to take place, completing detailed risk assessments and developing protocols to mitigate risk.

It is impossible to eliminate all risks, but we believe the procedures we are putting in place enable our school to be as safe as is possible in the current circumstances. Some of the risks we have considered are outside of the control of the school e.g. Infection rates in the wider region and local area which the school serves.

School will be sharing the precise details about the return of children in Year Six in a separate information note. When students return to school, their experience on arrival will be very different to that in March prior to lockdown.

It is important that both you read the information you receive from school carefully and explain it to your child. We want everyone to be aware of how to safely drop off and pick up their children, what the physical space will look like, and how your child will be expected to behave on their return.

Please rest assured, that whilst it is currently our intention to increase the number of students for whom attendance at school is possible from the 15 June 2020, we will be assessing regular guidance updates. Information is emerging constantly to inform us about whether or not it remains safe for our schools to offer an increased provision

Thank you for your continued support and understanding.

Take care and stay safe.

Yours faithfully

Mr T Fennelly - Chair of governors at Ss Peter and Paul RC Primary School

Mrs M Butt – Headteacher