



## Tudor Grange Primary Academy, St James

14 August 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

I do hope that you have been able to take some time together as families to enjoy the summer and a break from delivering home education.

Since issuing communications on the 8<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> July containing further details about the plans to reopen to all pupils, the leadership team have been looking at the most recent guidance issued by the DfE on the 7<sup>th</sup> August, in continued anticipation that all schools will be fully reopen to all pupils in the autumn term. Our ambition remains that we will be able to offer all pupils a full curriculum entitlement that is broad and balanced. The objective remains within the context of maintaining stringent controls to promote health and safety and minimise the risk of transmission of COVID-19 as much as we are able to do so.

We are continuing to monitor and review local data when considering the finer details of our planning, part of which involves working with other schools within the Trust to develop our approach for the continued delivery of a remote home-learning curriculum. This is important as we know we may need to be ready to move some or all pupils back to remote learning quickly, should the situation change.

### **So what else have we done so far in readiness for the planning that needs to take place?**

- We have written a full timetable for September so that we know that we have the staffing and resources in place to teach the full curriculum. We have also been meeting with other leaders in other Tudor Grange schools to share approaches and planning for each of the scenarios we may face in September. We have continued to plan for the delivery of a remote curriculum should situation change and some or all pupils need to move back to remote learning at short notice.
- We have continued to liaise with our partners to anticipate the work we may have to do to ensure we are ready for September. This has included working with our facilities management partner, Bellrock, who will be overseeing: enhanced cleaning routines and management of new rotas for cleaning staff; the installation and specialist management of new and increased numbers of permanent sanitisation stations across the site and any other adaptations we have anticipated we require to our facilities. We have also been working with our catering specialist to look at the adjustments we anticipated we would need to make to our catering facilities and arrangements to ensure we can be flexible in September.





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- We have used the information gathered from parents in the survey issued on 8<sup>th</sup> July to plan for the delivery of wraparound services to support the families who wish to use them, to ensure that we have the staffing and resources in place to offer provision in line with the current guidance to maintain stringent controls to promote health and safety and minimise the risk of transmission of COVID-19 as much as we are able to do so.
- We have adapted the internal and external school environment to allow for greater numbers of pupils on site, whilst still minimising opportunities for contact between 'bubble' members.
- We have planned further training for staff on the updated risk assessment and associated mitigations to enable the wider re-opening of the school for all pupils.

All previous communications are available on the website should you wish to revisit them, and can be found at: <https://www.stjames.tgacademy.org.uk/parent-post/>

We will write again with finalised details for the re-opening of the school on **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> August**, and look forward to welcoming all pupils to start school on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September.

Yours sincerely

Miss S Deakin  
Executive Principal for Primary

