

Thursday 21st May 2020



Dear Parents/Carers,

Following the government's recent announcement to reopen schools on a phased return, we have been studying all the guidance put out with the aim of understanding exactly what is proposed. We have spent this week making the necessary plans to ensure that our school is safe for our children, families and staff.

We have been guided by discussions with the Governing Body, Manchester City Council, other Manchester Headteachers and our respective unions in order to formulate our plan. Whilst we, as much as you, would like nothing more than to be back in school doing the job of teaching your children, in the current situation that is not possible, and we need to start the return to school process in a staged and carefully managed way.

We are planning to start this phased return on Tuesday 2nd June beginning with our oldest children in Year 6 as well as continuing with care for children of key workers and those children classed as vulnerable. This will be followed by Year 1 and then reception. We will contact parents of year 1 and reception pupils, separately after the half term holiday, with detailed information about how the day will run and the expectations for pick up and drop off etc. when it is finalised.

The government have suggested that all year groups may return before the summer, but this will need to be kept under review and will be dependent on a number of considerations. Should the R rate change and the government decide that it is no longer safe to admit additional pupils in school, then we will follow that advice.

We would like to thank you for your continued support of our staff at this time. They have worked tirelessly to not only provide care for our keyworker children, but also to support the continued education of your children at home through the home learning provision and have facilitated communication in order to provide you with the support you need at this time.

If you need to speak to someone about whether your child should /shouldn't attend school, or you have any questions, please contact the school on 0161 881 1621 or via head@chorltonpark.manchester.sch.uk.

We will not be allowing any parents onto the school site and the office will be not be accessible.

Thank you again for your patience and support. It has been a difficult ten days because we never underestimate our responsibilities to our children and families, and we have been working hard to make sure we have a workable plan with safety as a priority.

Please continue to stay safe.

Kind regards,

Ms Habershon and Mrs Blackburn