

Harmony Trust Further Update Regarding Wider Opening of Academies

Friday 5th June 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

We wanted to provide you with a further update following a meeting with our Board of Trustees yesterday.

The Trustees have agreed after careful consideration of the risks that we will continue with our plan for phased re-opening to more children from Monday 8th June.

From Monday 8th June, children in our Year 6 (Year 1 for academies with no Year 6 provision) **are invited to return to school.** If your child is in year 6 and you have indicated you may want a place, your academy Principal will send a letter shortly to give you more details about the offer available for them. Please note that every academy has limited capacity at this time and we may not be able to offer places to children if they wish to return later in the term.

This phase will last for 2 weeks. During week commencing 15th June, the Board of Trustees will review the provision in each academy and take a view about whether we can extend our offer to include a place for children in Year 1. This will be based on the latest information about risk in the community and academy information regarding staffing levels and space available. We will send you more information when are able.

Safety remains our priority and we have worked hard to make our academies as safe as possible (as detailed in our letter to you dated 29th May). We continue to work with our partners, including Trade Unions and the situation is subject to change if new information comes to light which alters the level of risk.

We will be in contact again once the next phase of our re-opening has been agreed, or before if there is further significant information. We thank you for your continued co-operation.

Yours sincerely

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