

Letter from Lynsey Holzer – CEO, Evolution Academy Trust 11.05.2020

Dear families

I'm sure you will have seen the Prime Minister's address to the nation yesterday evening.

As expected, schools reopening was mentioned. However, at this moment we have no further information and will need to await more guidance before we can make concrete plans on how that reopening might look.

In short, what was announced, was that at the EARLIEST, schools would begin a phased reopening, starting with Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 after Half Term on June 1st.

However, before we can make any sort of decisions, we do need to have further information, specifically on:

How social distancing will work with the children, which could potentially see not all of those children in all of the time.

The confirmed start date which potentially could be pushed back to later in June, and whether the start date for all year groups will be the same.

What safety precautions should be put in place for staff and children - making school 'COVID secure'

What guidance there is should we have anyone develop symptoms in school.

Guidance for staff members who have been isolating due to pre-existing medical conditions.

To what extent parents will be able to choose to send their children in to school or keep them at home if they prefer.

So, there are many things for myself and the Trust to look into and consider over the coming days and weeks. We are working alongside the team at Eaton Primary to ensure we have everything possible in place to ensure children and staff safety. One thing that is certain is that, for most children, home schooling and our remote learning provision will continue. We will remain open for the children of key workers.

I will of course put children and staff safety at the forefront of our plans and school leaders will write to you all in due course once things become clearer and firmer.

Stay safe and stay healthy.

Yours faithfully

Lynsey Holzer