



## BEESTON HALL SCHOOL

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2020

Dear Parents,

### RE: PART 2 OF PHASED RETURN

It turns out there are several in the Beeston community who have expertise in designing and building surveys but, as was all too obvious, I am not amongst them! With apologies for this and thanks to you all for responding, I am writing now with regard to phase two of a return to school.

In my last letter, I undertook to try and 'do better' than the projected date of 22<sup>nd</sup> June for a second phase of return. I am pleased to say that we are now in a position to offer live teaching on-site to the children in Years, 2, 3 and 4, from Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June, largely as a result of the herculean efforts of those staff able to rearrange classrooms and spaces to accommodate the Covid-19 protocols and procedures. Once again, a 'return to school' video will be available for families later today so that children can get used to the adapted circumstances. This is important to watch alongside the attached summary of arrangements, entitled '**Phased Return to School Part 2**'. The reason for bringing this date forward is so that we have better potential and scope to bring Year 7 and/or Year 8 back into school, should government advice on secondary school age children change and this becomes possible.

The arrangements for Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 remain the same, but we are also able to accommodate Year 5 continuing with their remote learning programme, either at school or at home. There will be some limited live teaching in Years 5 and 6, according to staff availability in the separate bubbles, but for the time being remote continues. This arrangement of new 'bubbles' means there is less specialist teaching possible. As I am sure you will have appreciated, maintaining the routines of remote learning at home is likely to optimise academic progress but, for some, the wider wellbeing and social – never mind practical - issues are higher priorities. This final point leads inevitably to the minibus offering, arrangements for which will follow in a separate letter. There will be limited places on a Fakenham route (only) but without a chaperone. If you would like a place on the bus, please email Mr Hammond at [bh@beestonhall.co.uk](mailto:bh@beestonhall.co.uk).

As ever, please be in touch with Mr Hammond or me with any questions you may have.

With best wishes,

Fred de Falbe