

22nd May 2020

Dear families

As I am sure you are aware, the government has asked schools to put in place a plan to open to more students from 1st June. The information below is based on that plan. However, it is important for everyone to keep in mind that the government has not confirmed this, for definite, and that the plan and guidance may change over the coming week. If the government do not confirm that schools will reopen to more students from 1st June, then there will be a need for us to continue with our current rota for staffing and students.

However, we will keep you updated and if you do not hear from us again, the below plan will be in place and we will look forward to welcoming your child into school after half term.

Following your request for your child to be part of the rota to attend school after half term, please find below the days they have been allocated for the weeks commencing 1st June and 8th June. The rota will be reviewed in the second week and if the government issue further guidelines.

Please be aware that there has been strong demand for places and therefore we cannot offer more than the two days specified, for pupil and staff safety. We have created small group 'bubbles' in order to reduce contact between different pupils and different staff to support this. There are a few exceptions to the number of days offered where extremely vulnerable students, or students of key workers, have been given more days in line with government guidelines.

Please be reminded that all the information regarding returning to school can be found on our website:-
<https://dysartschool.org/key-information/covid-19-information-advice-and-support/letters/>

1 – Your child's days are:-

[individually notified of days]

2 - Curriculum info

Please see the letter attached about the recovery curriculum which will be on offer for those returning.

3 - Control Measures letter

This is attached and will give you a better idea of all the measures put in place to ensure the safety and wellbeing of students and staff.

4 - 'Return to School' social story

Please find attached a 'return to school' social story for you to read with your child. This can be looked at alongside the 'Welcome Back to School' video on the Dysart YouTube video (see link for our videos).

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCe6Xie1kfEPQDFULrtpehQ/videos>



5 - Sun Cream Permission

Please ensure that your child brings to school their own sun cream, labelled with their name. This should remain in school for the rest of the term. Please also apply sun cream to your child each day before coming to school. If you haven't yet given permission for sun cream to be used, please respond to the email sent to you yesterday by Sue Bashford.

6 – School Transport

School Transport will be available but only for those who have previously used it. School Transport will contact you to discuss whether you want to access it during this period of time and to make arrangements. Timings are likely to be staggered to reduce the numbers of students on the buses, so pick up and drop of times will be agreed with you and may be different from normal.

7 – School Opening Times

School will be open for students from 8.50am until 3pm. If you are driving your child to school, we would be grateful if you would drop off and pick up in the usual way.

8 – Questions

If you have any questions at all, please respond to Sue Bashford via email. She will be checking emails over the half term and has a school mobile number 07501-912721.

9 - Yorda Adventures

One final point; Yorda Adventures is keen to support your child further either through child care or family play sessions. Please contact Yorda direct on 07939-844978 or 07437-016193 to discuss what can be arranged.

Stay well and safe.

Yours sincerely

Leigh Edser
Principal