

WANSBECK PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Dear Parents and Carers

Proposed Reopening of Schools Update

As you are aware things are ever changing in this unprecedented situation we are all facing. I am writing to update you that the earliest date for reopening has changed for the large majority of schools in this area and as a school we will not be reopening to the wider community until June 8^{th} at the earliest.

The reasoning behind this is due to the fact that the R rate within this area is still close to 1 and as a city we believe that this needs to be lower in order for children to safely return to school. The second reason is that the for us to prepare to reopen safely, adhering to government guidance has been very challenging to put in place in the timescales the Government want. Simple things like ordering the resources we need is challenging due to availability and delivery times.

Please note the provision for key workers and vulnerable children will continue as it has been doing so far. Thank you to all the families in Foundation 2 and Year 1 for letting us know your intentions on sending your child back to school. If you have not done this already your class teachers are trying to get in touch with you to confirm your decision. This is very important as we need this to be able to plan effectively to keep your child safe.

I appreciate the situation is ever changing and may be frustrating for you as parents and carers but please be assured that any steps we are taking as a school are to ensure that we are being as safe as we can for the staff, children and families in our 'Wansbeck Family.' School now has a skeleton staff within the school building so if you have any questions in regard to this please contact us by email, phone or send your class teacher an email and we will be in touch. You can also send us a message through our Facebook page.

Yours Sincerely

Sam Bullen Headteacher