

Beverley School

A specialist school for children and young people with autism where staff and governors are fully committed to the safeguarding and wellbeing of our pupils



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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to you in order to update you with the current situation in school. We went ahead with a planned return to school for pupils in YR, Y1 and Y6. This was in line with the Government policy. Most families expressed a preference to wait until September to allow the infection rates in Middlesbrough to drop further.

In our weekly phone calls we also asked all parents about their preference, should a place be offered, about a return to school before September and again most families said no. We are aware of those families who said yes and we are trying to support a return if possible. I must be honest and say that we will not be able to accommodate all families. We have stringent rules given to us about social distancing, use of shared facilities and toilets which hamper our best efforts to have larger numbers at this present time. We must follow these to keep children and adults safe.

If we are able to offer a return to school before September we will contact you individually to give you time to prepare for this. Transport is very limited and many families have been able to transport their children themselves which also reduces the wider contact.

Pupils in school are in small, self contained units or bubbles. They are not always with their usual peer group or friends and the timetable is very limited as we are not sharing specialist areas.

There continues to be no pressure about attendance for those children offered a place. This remains a parental preference.

Thank you for your continued patience and understanding. We continue to do our very best in these most difficult of circumstances.

If you have any further questions, please contact us at school or through your weekly phone call.

Yours faithfully

Joanne Smith

Head Teacher



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