



13th May 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Preparing for a wider opening of Bower Grove School and Satellite from June 1st 2020

I trust by now you will have seen various media reports about a gradual return for many pupils to school from June 1st 2020. We are very much looking forward to welcoming our pupils back to school.

Whilst the media has focused on main stream schools, special schools are able to work towards a phased return of children and young people without a focus on specific year groups. This will be based around careful risk assessments and the individual needs of children.

It is our aim to have seen all pupils at least once in school before the end of term 6. This will be achieved through a carefully planned, graduated rotation of children into school. The safety of pupils and staff is our absolute priority.

We will be focusing on Year 6, Year 10 and Year R/1 with a view to a limited number of children attending each day in the first phase.

We are currently implementing some physical changes to the school building with signage and markings to assist with social distancing.

The Westborough Satellite will remain closed for essential building works for a number of weeks and Satellite pupils will have special provision made at Bower Grove school in the interim.

Through a carefully managed reintegration it is our absolute priority to maintain a safe community through social distancing, personal hygiene and hand washing and daily thorough cleaning.

We will be contacting parents over the next few weeks regarding pupil's attendance at school via our weekly communication system. I must reiterate, that pupil attendance will be on a rotational/part time basis and that this plan may change according to Government guidance should lockdown conditions be reintroduced.

I hope this explains our intention for term 6 and I look forward to welcoming our pupils back to school in some capacity before the end of the academic year.

Kind regards and stay safe,

Mrs L Salter
Headteacher