

16th June 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

RE: Wider Opening of Bradford Academy – Update

I write to set out our plans and timeline for wider opening of Bradford Academy.

We will be welcoming learners back in Reception, Y1 and Year 6 on Monday 22nd June. We are contacting all parents/carers to discuss the offer and to ensure that learners are ready to access the provision in a safe manner.

We will then welcome back learners from Year 10 on Monday 29th June on a rota basis in “bubbles” of 8 students. A programme has been designed which takes into account learners’ performance data and provides teacher input to begin to close gaps in learning in specific curriculum areas.

The following week, we will welcome back Year 12 learners on a similar programme as Year 10.

Each Friday, Governors of Bradford Academy will meet to review the provision and to confirm that it is safe to continue bringing more learners into the building. If governors decide that it is **not** safe to proceed, I will write to you immediately following the meeting.

You will be aware that the Department for Education has published guidance which allows schools to decide which learners, other than those mentioned above, schools can bring back before the summer holidays. They have allowed schools to be flexible in their approach, basing decisions on their own context and priorities. We will be looking at how we do this once we have safely established routines for learners already accessing provision on site.

Free School Meal provision for those learners deemed by the government to be back at school ceased to be funded from June 15th. We have continued to issue vouchers to learners in Reception, Years 1 and Year 6 but these will cease on June 22nd. Instead, for those students for whom it is not safe to come back to school, or for parents who choose not to send their children as a result of their own risk assessment, we will provide a free school meal in the form of a grab bag which will be delivered by Academy staff.

Further information including the below can be found on the Covid-19 section of our website:

- Covid-19 policies most relevant to learners
- a video of the site with the measures for social distancing and infection control can be found
- Individual letters for year groups explaining the nature of the provision and timings

I would encourage you to read these before your child attends.

Please note that the arrangements for drop off and pick up are detailed in each year group letter. There will be no access to site for any vehicles so that we can maintain social distancing measures on site. Parents/carers are advised to either walk to school, or park on the streets surrounding the Academy, paying due consideration to local residents.

We are really looking forward to seeing our young people again. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours faithfully



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Executive Principal





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