



BATH & WELLS  
Multi Academy Trust

'That they may have life, life in all its fullness' John 10:10

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have progressed through some significant milestones: partially closing schools back in March; establishing support for the children of key workers and vulnerable groups; developing home learning and online support and undertaking complex risk assessments to welcome back pupils in Nursery, Reception and Years 1 and 6.

Together teachers, support staff, parents and carers have risen to the challenges we have all faced and supported pupils, families and communities with creativity, commitment, and dedication.

We are delighted that this week the Government announced further information about its intention that pupils in all year groups will return to school full-time in September. We have all been planning for this for some weeks. Each school in our Trust is developing plans for:

- all children to return to school full time from the start of the Autumn Term
- children to be taught by their class teacher wherever possible
- health and safety expectations to be of the highest standard in line with Government advice and each school's risk assessment
- curriculum planning to be informed by an assessment of pupils' starting points and focused on addressing any gaps in pupils' knowledge and skills, in particular making effective use of regular formative assessment
- adapting the curriculum to respond to pupils' learning needs and providing additional support when required
- focusing more time on core skills and providing support for all children to recover any lost ground
- pastoral support for all pupils to:
  - rebuild friendships and social engagement
  - address and equip pupils to respond to issues linked to coronavirus (COVID-19)
  - further improve their physical and mental wellbeing

The plans developed by each school have been considered in the context of this recent National policy and can now be shared with you all shortly.

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