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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you continue to stay safe and well and that you have managed to enjoy the beautiful weather.

Please find attached our <u>latest home learning bulletin</u>. Staff will be out and about again this week delivering home learning packs. If you wish to send any of your child's work back into school, they would be happy to collect this from you.

As you will be aware, mainstream schools are set to open their doors today to children and young people in specific year groups.

All our schools in Horizons Specialist Academy Trust have remained open throughout the lockdown for identified children and there has been some fantastic work taking place with both the young people in school and those at home.

On Friday 22nd May I sent a letter to all parents detailing our proposed plans to enable some students to return to school over the next couple of weeks. Detailed in the letter was the criteria for spaces. I have attached the letter just in case this failed to reach you.

At present we are awaiting feedback from transport with regards to our proposed model. We have been in discussions with them regarding their own risk assessments and have been told that transport will only be transporting two students at a time. This will influence decisions regarding how students are grouped together when in school.

Following updated Government guidance, we continue to work on our plans to make the sensible and practical arrangements that are needed to ensure the safe return of more children. We wish to reassure you that we will only open for more children when the necessary arrangements have been implemented.

Nothing is more important than the safety of our children. We will continue to do what we can in the best interests of every child at Abbey Hill and their families.

If you feel your child would benefit from time in school over the next couple of weeks due to their individual needs or the needs of the family, due to working commitments etc., then please do let the tutor team know when they call this week.

Please also note, that for the vast majority of children and young people, the safest place for them is to remain at home.

I wish you all the best and hope you find some of the ideas on the attached bulletin helpful.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

R. Whelan













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