



## HIGH STANDARDS, HIGH ASPIRATIONS, HIGH EXPECTATIONS

12<sup>th</sup> May 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Many of you will have watched the Prime Minister's briefing on Sunday night and, understandably, will have questions about the proposed re-opening of schools.

The Prime Minister announced that, at the earliest date of June 1 2020, Primary schools **may be able** to open for Year R, Year 1 and Year 6 pupils. He also announced that it is the Government's **ambition** for those pupils with exams next summer (for BMA that would be students currently in Year 10) to have some physical contact time before the (summer) holidays. Currently, we have the same level of detail as given in the direct address and have not received any further information around any potential re-opening of schools.

Please see below for the links to the government website:

- <https://www.gov.uk/government/speeches/pm-address-to-the-nation-on-coronavirus-10-may-2020>
- <https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus/education-and-childcare>

It is important to note that currently the City Academy Hub, where Bristol Metropolitan Academy is based, is only open to children of Key Workers and vulnerable children. We are not in a position to offer a place at the City Academy Hub to individuals whose jobs are not listed on the Key Worker list. Please see the link below for details on Key Workers and their children's use of school during this time:

- <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintaining-educational-provision/guidance-for-schools-colleges-and-local-authorities-on-maintaining-educational-provision>

If you are a Key Worker and need to use a space at the City Academy Hub you can continue to do so by sending your child to the site from 8:30am to 3pm on the days needed.

We are awaiting further information from the Department for Education and are working with the skilled central support team at the Cabot Learning Federation to ensure that we have robust plans in place for any form of re-opening. Once we are in receipt of more information and we have a fully formed robust plan, which takes the safety of our students (your children), staff and whole community into consideration, I will update you again.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your patience and continued support at this time.

Yours sincerely

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Principal