

BHS Newsletter



15th May 2020



Developments This Week

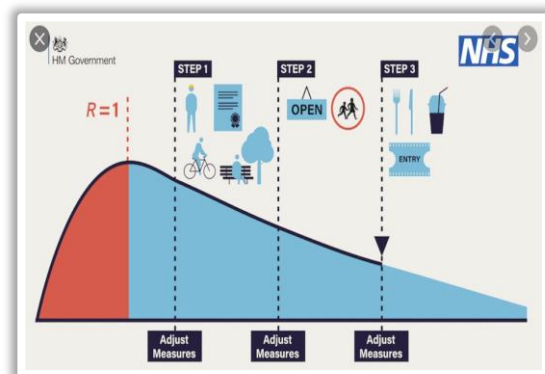
I know that the million-dollar question for parents right now is ‘When will I be able to send my child back to school?’. As you will know, the PM announced on Sunday that some primary school students are expected to return from June 1st. By Tuesday, the accompanying written guidance surprised many secondary Headteachers when it stated the expectation that schools ‘*will be able to offer some face to face contact with Year 10*’ from June 1st (somewhat earlier than anticipated and not really in line with what the PM said on Sunday).

As a parent, I would want to know the key details around this: What exactly will this look like for my child? How it will work? What assurances can school give me that it is safe to return? What about the education of my children who are not in Year 10? And so on.

At this stage, all I can say for certain is that we want to get your children back in school as soon as we can safely do so. We are looking at different models around this. It may begin with some targeted support and conversations with Year 10 students and then work up to a model of more provision in school, **(at a pace and scale that is manageable and safe for students and staff).**

I am working closely with the Local Authority, and we are collaborating and sharing ideas with other schools. As soon as I am able to share some more definitive plans with you, I shall do so.

In the meantime, thank-you for your patience in what I know to be a frustrating and worrying time for students, parents and staff.



GUIDANCE FOR PARENTS:

Information for parents and carers to help prepare for the wider opening of nurseries, schools and colleges from 1 June. [Click here to read existing guidance about what parents and carers need to know about schools, colleges and other education settings during the coronavirus outbreak](#)

VULNERABLE STUDENTS: THIS APPLIES TO YOU IF:

- a) Your family is supported by Early Help or a Social Worker (this may involve a Child In Need plan)
- b) If your child has an EHCP and their needs can be as safely, or more safely met at school (this will involve a joint risk assessment from school and home if you wish to send your child in to school)
- c) If your child is a young carer
- d) If your child is at risk of becoming NEET ('not in employment, education or training'). We have identified these students from Years 9 and 10.
- e) You/school consider your child to be 'assessed as otherwise vulnerable'.

Provision for Vulnerable Students, Forces Students and Key Worker Families

If you have not already replied to the email this week to confirm what provision you need for the next 3 weeks, please do so as soon as possible so that I can ensure appropriate staffing is in place. In line with the latest DfE guidance this week, we have widened the group of families who are 'eligible' for this provision. There have been many questions around what is meant by 'vulnerable', so for clarity I have included the guidance opposite. I would like to thank staff who are coming in during their holiday in half-term to support these students where needed. As always, if you think you should be eligible for provision for your child (according to this guidance), please contact Alison Knight to discuss in the first instance: knighta@bedalehighschool.org.uk.

Home-Learning Survey

Mr Wild will be pulling together feedback from you and the students around how you are finding the home-learning situation. Please complete the survey and encourage your children to do the same - it really will only take a few moments, and the feedback will help us to adapt and amend our practices during this time, and hopefully make things more manageable for you at home. As well as the issues and concerns, it would be great to hear what works well so that we can aim to do more of it!

The links are in the box opposite:

Student Link:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponseResp.aspx?id=BIQER23xIUuKVYrF1-chlmfJWePcNU1Gpx-w86PIQzdUNEM3NjVEWUpISk5NT1YYyQUhNW01WDhFWS4u>

Parent Link:

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Year 10 lesson

You are an optional attendee

Fri 15/05/2020 11:00 - 11:30

No conflicts

RSVP to this event

Add a message to Fran Hall (optional)

Yes Maybe No Propose new time

Please make sure you turn your video off

[Join Microsoft Teams Meeting](#)

[Learn more about Teams](#) | [Meeting options](#)

Virtual, 'Live' and Recorded Lessons

This week we have issued guidance to staff to support safe practice around any offering of virtual, live or recorded lesson formats. We know these lessons are being very positively received, and we are working to set up a timetable so that students and parents can see where they will be on offer in different subject areas. It remains a learning process for all of us, and staff who are comfortable and confident to do so are sharing good practice with others. We await feedback from the home-learning survey to inform further actions around this area.

High Praise for PPE Heroes

Congratulations to Miss Allsop and Miss Riley-Fox who received a letter from the Chancellor this week, thanking them for the work they did recently to produce PPE for our local care-homes, in partnership with our friends at Aysgarth School. The letter is attached.

They have not stopped there...I mentioned their latest project last week which is still running. This is a fundraiser for Herriot Hospice Homecare. You still have time to purchase a £2 square via Parent pay, to win a pack of tasty treats and goodies (winner to be drawn on 22nd May).

Thank-you for your support so far with this project!



IN OTHER NEWS...

SCHOOL UNIFORM SUPPLIER:

Please read the attached update from our uniform supplier, SCHOOLSHOP. They have updated their website and written a letter to parents regarding their services during the current situation.

BHS KINDNESS CHALLENGE:

To raise the profile of Mental Health Awareness Week next week, we are launching a Kindness Challenge. Please see Miss Temple's attached letter and encourage your children to send back pics and examples that we can share on FB!

AYSGARTH SERVICE - INVITATION

Our friends at Aysgarth School are offering to share their online Sunday Chapel service with our local community. Anyone who wants to join in can click on this link - it goes 'live' just before 10am each Sunday morning:

<https://www.aysgarthschool.com/stories/latest-news>

NATIONAL CRIME AGENCY - STUDENT CHALLENGE

Below is a link to the National Crime Agency, Cyber Security Challenge UK 2020. It is designed to help young people put their skills to good use and make the right #CyberChoices - a great activity to get involved in - especially in the current circumstances!

<https://cybergamesuk.com/>



10 May 2020

Sunday chapel service - Sunday 10th May 2020 - VE Service

Digital Sunday service from Aysgarth School
Chapel



01 May 2020
 Sunday chapel service -
 Sunday 10th May 2020 -
 VE Service
 Digital Sunday services from Angpath School
 Chapel



THE Rt. Hon. JISH SINGH MP



HOUSE OF COMMONS
 LONDON WC9A 0AA

Ms Sukh Singh
 Basindale High School
 Basindale
 Leeds LS23 3JQ

13 May 2020

Dear Ms Singh

I was so pleased to hear recently of the progress you and your children have made from their time at Basindale High School.

The progress made by a number of children and young people - a highly motivated group of the community around Basindale High School - supports our work to ensure we all have a good education.

By joining an enterprise and an innovation school for girls, you and your children have made a positive contribution to the community and the wider world.

Do let me know any time you can contact me if you have any questions or if you would like to be involved in any of our projects. The knowledge that you are prepared to go the extra mile to help your children is a great asset to our community.

On behalf of myself and my colleagues I thank you for your actions during the coronavirus pandemic.

It is a pleasure to be able to support the children and young people who attend the school and to be able to help them to reach their full potential. I look forward to a special day when you can meet me in person.

Kind regards,

Jish Singh

Member of Parliament
 Basindale (Leeds)



Wales Independence

The Welsh language is the only one of the Celtic languages that has a written form. It is the official language of Wales and is used in government, education, and the media.

1975 - The Welsh Language Act gave the language the same status as English in Wales.

1994 - The Welsh Language Commission was established to promote and protect the language.

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Northern Ireland Independence

The Northern Ireland Assembly is the devolved legislature of Northern Ireland. It was established in 1998 and is responsible for a range of issues, including health, education, and transport.

1998 - The Northern Ireland Act 1998 established the Northern Ireland Assembly.

2007 - The Northern Ireland Act 2007 transferred a range of powers to the Assembly.

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Scottish Independence

The Scottish National Party (SNP) is a Scottish nationalist and social democratic political party. It is the largest party in the Scottish Parliament and has been the governing party of Scotland since 2007.

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