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Dear Parents and Carers,

As you are no doubt aware schools have been asked to re open their doors to nursery, Reception, Year 1 and 6 children from 1<sup>st</sup> June, 2020.

Elevate, in consultation with their Head teachers and Central Team, are in the process of implementing measures to ensure the safe opening of their Academies, if possible for these year groups.

Although your child/ren are not in the year groups that are due to start school from 1<sup>st</sup> June we thought we would let you know what is happening.

As our main priority is to ensure the safety and well-being of children and staff and in order to ensure we are fully prepared for the reopening of our Academies, Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June will be a training day. Therefore, children will not return to school until Tuesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> June.

Academies will be open for vulnerable children and children of critical workers.

Each Academy has carried out a thorough Risk Assessment which includes:

- 🌱 Health and safety;
- 🌱 Safeguarding;
- 🌱 Whether there is sufficient staffing to cover all the year groups;
- 🌱 Whether there is enough space in the Academy to accommodate all the year groups as well as the critical worker children and vulnerable children whilst implementing social distancing guidelines.

From this it will be decided whether an Academy will open and which year groups.

Throughout this period, our Academies remain open to vulnerable children and children of critical workers.

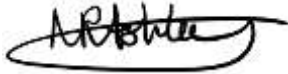
**Remote teaching for years 2 to 5:** This will continue throughout this period, so keep looking at your Academy websites.

The government has announced that they intend the offer of school places to be extended to all year groups by the end of June so that children will get a month of school before the summer holidays. As of now, however, we have no further details of whether this will happen and will update you when more is known.

I am sure you will agree with me when I say all our staff have worked tirelessly and above and beyond any expectations throughout the whole of this time and have nurtured and cared for your children, whether at home or in school. I am extremely proud of them and of the children and families for supporting each other through these challenging times.

I look forward to seeing you all as soon as it is safely possible.

Yours sincerely,



Nigel Ashley

CEO