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COVID-19 Update – May 12th

Dear Parents and Carers,

Following the Prime Minister's announcement to the nation on Sunday, schools have now received some initial guidance on reopening. The Government have also published advice for parents/carers, which can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers/reopening-schools-and-other-educational-settings-from-1-june>

Please read this advice carefully.

At Fairfield, we will be working over the coming days to understand the latest guidance, along with advice from Excalibur Academies Trust, our governors, Bristol City Council and professional associations, so that when students return, the safety and wellbeing of our whole community is prioritised. The government have indicated that from June 1st secondary schools should begin some face to face support with Year 10, although they do not expect these pupils to return on a full-time basis at that stage. Once we have more details on that I will share them with you over the coming weeks.

The government have also indicated that educational settings should continue to offer places to priority groups. In particular, vulnerable children of all year groups continue to be expected and encouraged to attend educational provision where it is appropriate for them to do so. We will be sending a place booking sheet later this week to allow places to be booked for the week beginning 18th May. Please return by 16th May.

For all students we will be continuing to use ShowMyHomework. As we move towards a partial return to schools, it is increasingly important that students form good learning routines and complete, as well as possible, the activities set for them. Subject specific support is available directly from teachers and queries can be addressed via our reception desk.

I know parents and carers will have lots of questions about the new situation and in the first instance I would ask that you read carefully the government guidance in the link above as this has answers to the most frequently asked questions.

I will, of course, keep you up to date with developments.

As always, wishing you safe and well,

Nick Lewis



Principal

Reminders:

Urgent safeguarding concerns Email: response@fairfield.excalibur.org.uk

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