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Dear parents and carers,

I sincerely hope that you and your family are coping with the extraordinary circumstances and that you are staying safe and well.

I wanted to write to you to let you know that Aspirations Academies Trust is planning to be as best prepared as possible for the position where the government begins to lift the 'lockdown' measures that have featured in the strategy to combat the spread of COVID-19.

I am aware that there has been some speculation in various forums recently regarding the lifting of 'lockdown' measures and, in particular, when schools may reopen to more students.

As you know, our schools are currently open only for children of key workers and vulnerable children. We have no new information from government at present and so this position will continue for the foreseeable future.

Despite there being no new information yet, I want to assure you that we are planning for the scenario where we are asked by the government to open to a greater number of students.

Our principal aim, in any such scenario, will be to keep students and adults in our school communities safe and well. We are developing guidance regarding our expectations of our students and staff to ensure social distancing and hygiene standards are maintained.

Please rest assured that as soon as we have any information about the implications of any lifting of 'lockdown' measures on schools we will write to you again to let you know what this means for you and your child/children. In the meantime, our schools only remain open to children of key workers and vulnerable children.

Please stay safe and well.

Yours faithfully,

Steve Kenning Managing Director