

Friday 10 July 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

Following our Chief Executive's message in the Parent Newsletter, I am writing to share how we are intending to welcome students back to Sir Bernard Lovell Academy in September.

As a Trust we have planned to get all children and young people back to school as quickly as possible whilst giving time to ensure that they understand the new procedures and systems that will be in place for their safety, in line with the advice from Public Health. This will also help to alleviate any anxieties they may have about returning to school after what for most has been six months away from the classroom. In the first week of term, Tuesday 1 and Wednesday 2 September 2020 are both INSET Days that will be used for staff training and planning in preparation for the start of Term. The students will return to school in a phased manner, from Thursday 3 September 2020 onwards, to ensure we can carry out the induction necessary to familiarise them with the new systems and procedures. Our plan will also enable staff to spend extra time supporting students joining us in Year 7 who are transitioning from primary school. All students will then be back in full time by Tuesday 8 September 2020.

In our school, we have agreed the following pattern:

Date	Year Group
Tuesday 1 September 2020	Staff Inset Day
Wednesday 2 September 2020	Staff Inset Day
Thursday 3 September 2020	Year 7 and Year 12 only
Friday 4 September 2020	Year 7, Year 12 and Year 13 only
Monday 7 September 2020	Year 7, Year 10, Year 11, Year 12 and Year 13 only
Tuesday 8 September 2020	All Year Groups

The detailed planning for the return to school is still underway and is being scrutinised and approved by the Trust Board during the first week of the holiday (week commencing 20 July). We will write to you at the end of that week explaining all the details. We appreciate that some families will be anxious about this so are doing our best to get this information to you as quickly as possible.

Although different in some ways, our school will still be a place where young people receive excellent teaching and gain the skills and experiences that will help prepare them for adult life. We look forward to welcoming them back in September.

Thank you in anticipation of your support.

Yours faithfully



**Mr D Anderson**  
Principal