

Amber Valley & Erewash Support Centre
Bennerley Avenue
Cotmanhay
Ilkeston
Derbyshire
DE7 8PF

Telephone 01158 500826

Email kpilkington@avesc.derbyshire.sch.uk
Ask for Kay Pilkington
Our ref
Date July 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

Re: Reopening of school September 2020

I hope that you and your families are managing to keep well during this extremely difficult and challenging time. With the lockdown easing and the government wanting schools to reopen fully in the autumn term, this letter provides information informing you of what to expect in September.

We are creating a detailed risk assessment to help planning and to ensure that both staff and pupils remain as safe as possible. The academy will be operating a recovery curriculum which focuses on recovery, resilience and respect. This curriculum will be intervention based focusing on English, Math's and PSE. From the 3rd September 2020 until the 18th September 2020 pupils who attend academy sites will be returning on a reduced timetable basis, this is to help re-establish expectations and routines for all pupils. Then, from the 21st September 2020, the expectation is that pupils will resume their normal timetables and curriculum. If your child is attending off-site provision, then that provision will inform pupils of their expectations when pupils are onsite. Offsite provision will be running site specific topics as normal. If your child is being visited by an APT Keyworker, they will contact you directly to discuss individual educational arrangements.

Some of the precautions that we will be taking will include:-

- Pupils are required to follow social distancing where at all possible.
- The staggering of break times, and pick-up and drop-off times for the first 2 full weeks of term until the 21st September.
- Increased cleaning.
- Keeping pupils and staff with coronavirus symptoms at home.
- Student risk assessments.

Pupils are expected to follow site expectations to ensure a smooth transition back into school life and ensure safety for all. If the academy expectations are not followed, then this could result in a sanction which may include a meeting with parents/carers and a review of placement.

You will receive contact from academy sites to inform you of your child's individualised timetable.

If you or your child has Covid-19 symptoms do not send your child into school. Please follow the government guidance and perform test and trace procedures.

If anything changes with regards to government guidance or further lockdown procedures being enforced, I will endeavor to inform you of the potential impact this will have on your child attending school.

If you have any questions, please contact your child's Head of Centre or Keyworker.

If you need support or are worried about your child, please go to the following website where support can be found from Esteems Family and Student Support Team:

<https://www.fasst-esteem.co.uk/>

Warm regards,

Mr. T. England
Headteacher of Amber Valley and Erewash Support Centre