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Dear Families,

I assume most of you will have heard the Prime Minister on Sunday announce that some primary aged children may return to school from 1st June. I know you will have many questions that, as yet, I am not able to answer. As a Trust we had no prior warning of this announcement so as you can imagine we are now beginning to work through the guidance, some of which has not been issued yet.

Our absolute priority is to keep our children, my colleagues and our families safe. There is no requirement for students in Y7,8,9,11 and 13 to return to school. Therefore, GAT Secondary Academies will remain physically closed for these students until September, at the earliest.

We are still providing emergency childcare for students who have parents who are classed as Key Workers across our hubs and we will also continue to support our students at home as we have been doing over the past few weeks.

We have been asked to consider how we might increase the face to face contact for Y10 and Y12 students. We are working very hard at the moment to see how we can meet this request. Your child's Principal will be in contact with you soon to share the plans moving forward.

The list of Key Workers has not changed. We continue to follow Government guidance on this so no additional children will be given a place at school over the next few weeks unless their parent(s) are employed in one of the existing Key Worker categories.

As a parent of three children I want to assure you that every decision I make is taken with my own children in mind. The Trust will always put the safety of our children, our colleagues and our families first.

My colleagues at your child's academies are working hard to support those students in provision, those students working from home and are now planning to increase face to face contact for Y10 and Y12. At this moment in time they will have no answers to your questions. Your child's Principal will be in touch with you next week.

Take care and stay safe,

Wayne Norrie
CEO
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