

## Highgate & Muswell Hill NLC

21.5.2020

Dear Parents, Carers, Staff and Governors,

We hope this finds you and your families well during this difficult and challenging time.

We are writing to you in relation to the wider opening of schools. Our cluster of schools in the Highgate & Muswell Hill Network Learning Community (NLC) have been collaborating really well to understand and follow Government guidance.

Since Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March when the Government informed all schools in the UK to close their doors due to the coronavirus, we as Headteachers have really appreciated the benefit of partnership work and mutual support.

Many schools have remained partially open to enable children of Key Workers (as identified by the Government) and vulnerable children to receive daily care; an incredibly important aspect of our work over the last few weeks and we thank our community for their patience, their support and kind words during this time.

Schools across the country are now working hard to begin to plan the wider re-opening of their schools to more children, including the key worker and vulnerable groups. Having discussed this topic extensively with NLC schools we have all agreed that schools in this group will **not open before Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2020**. We feel that this will give us the much needed time and space to consider the challenges, the risks and the health and well-being of all our community members: pupils, staff, parents and governors. Haringey Local Authority recognises that all schools will want to consider carefully laid out plans which meet the individual needs of their schools, their children and the staff. You may learn therefore that schools will manage the process of re-opening differently. This is because we are a collection of different sized schools, with different numbers of children and differing levels of staff availability at this time. We ask that you respect each and every school's plans for re-opening and work with your Headteachers and staff to be collectively responsible for ensuring the next phase of re-opening is safe and successful.

Together we are stronger and able to provide the support we all crave at these challenging times of managing the coronavirus pandemic.

Thank you in anticipation of your continuing support.

Muswell Hill Primary – Amanda Howells

Our Lady of Muswell- Angela McNicholas

Highgate Primary – William Dean

Coldfall – Evelyn Davies

Rhodes Avenue – Adrian Hall

St Michael's N6 – Geraldine Gallagher

Tetherdown – Tony Woodward

Eden School – Jo Sassienie

St James – Carol O'Brien

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Hugh Vivian – Hollickwood School – Barnet

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