



# THE ECCLESBOURNE SCHOOL

'Learning Together For The Future'

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## **Full Re-Opening of School – Thursday 3 September 2020**

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are writing to inform you that school will re-open to all students in all year groups from September. Yesterday the government published its guidance to schools and we are working on the detailed planning and risk assessment. We will write to you again at the end of next week with more detail. However, we would like to give you as much notice as possible so that you can prepare and make any practical arrangements.

Most children have been out of school for a long time and their experience is without precedent in recent times. Please rest assured that we will make sure they are supported to adjust to the resumption of school and that their health, happiness and the achievement of their potential remains our priority.

The first day of term for students is Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September and we expect them to be in full school uniform. Information about our uniform and equipment list, including the VI Form, will be issued at the start of next week. If you have any specific enquiries regarding uniform, please contact Mrs Owen-Moore (Head of Lower School) or Mr Carnwell (Head of Sixth Form).

Since the beginning of the national school closure teachers and support staff have kept the school open for our key workers provision. The government have announced that this will come to an end at the close of this term. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all our colleagues who have been in school to deliver this service. Their dedication, professionalism and willingness to go the extra mile has been inspirational. The children in school have been a pleasure to teach and we have all been part of something unique and which we will long remember with fondness.

I don't think we can adequately express how pleased we are to be preparing to welcome all our students back to school. There is much to be done but, for now, it is enough to be joyful and to feel the stirring of hope. In the meantime, please get in touch if we can help in any way or if you have any questions [rnicol@ecclesbourne.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:rnicol@ecclesbourne.derbyshire.sch.uk).

Yours sincerely

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