

10th June 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

Here at Bradstow School we continue to work towards a phased return of more children and young people, taking into careful consideration the whole school risk assessment and individual risk assessments. The challenge remains that we ensure that the school community is safely staffed to enable us to achieve this outcome.

The Government advice remains that:

“Special schools should work towards welcoming back as many children and young people as can be safely catered for in their setting.”

The school is working systematically with Wandsworth Human Resources, and our Occupational Health provider, to support staff to return who are not currently attending work. As you are aware there have been significant absences due to the shielding and self-isolation for those with underlying health conditions, resulting in the partial closure of the school in March. As our staff numbers increase we can return more children and young people.

I appreciate how frustrating this is for parents and carers currently supporting their young people at home as time goes on. I have spoken to many of you, and your social workers, and I know the struggles that many of you are facing. But I want to reassure you that we are committed as a leadership team to returning all of our young people to our school community as soon as is safely possible.

We will contact you directly when it is possible for your young person to return to Bradstow. We are reviewing the staffing each week to identify where we can extend our current capacity.

We will continue to contact you regularly to discuss your individual circumstances. But please do not hesitate to contact me directly on 01843 862123 or sdunn@bradstow.wandsworth.sch.uk for further information, support or updates on our situation. Please let us know if there are any resources you require or if you want to speak to any key staff?

Headteacher: Sarah Dunn

Thank you for your patience.

Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sarah Dunn', with a stylized, cursive script.

Sarah Dunn
Head Teacher