



# Highfields Academy

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Good morning everyone,

I hope you are all ok. My letter is a little later than normal today as we have had a senior leadership meeting and then a staff meeting to make sure that the final plans are in place ready for Monday. I am still receiving some responses from parents about children returning to school so numbers have changed slightly from yesterday. **Please be aware that if you don't send this back to us by the close of the day today it may not be possible to accommodate your child.**

On Monday we are expecting considerably more children than we have had previously (around 45 pupils). Mr Strefford has shared some information about this in a letter that is attached to this email.

There have been a few small additions to the risk assessment and I will try to get this on the website by the end of the day. There are no significant changes, just some finer details about how things will be managed.

I know that Mrs Middleton has contacted some of you regarding wraparound care next week and you may have already sent me the information so apologies for asking for this twice, we just don't want to miss anything. It is possible that I could have overlooked an email as I've received more since Wednesday than I have in the rest of this year!

Just a few important points to highlight today:

- If your child will be using breakfast or after school club next week this will now be in the hall. Walk through the car park, past the sheds and the door will be the one by the new shed. This will also be where you collect your children from at the end of the day.
- Please remember the one way system. Cumberland Avenue will be entrance only and Whitehouse Lane will be exit only. There will be lots of staff present in the school grounds to help guide you around when you arrive. I will be manning the Cumberland Avenue gate so you will see me as you arrive.
- Please don't arrive any earlier than 5 mins before the school day starts. We will be enforcing social distancing of parents.

I know that some of you are anxious about the return and I'm sure your children might have some anxieties too. Please be assured that everything is in place and we will deal with anxieties with the children on Monday. As I've said all along, we would not be pressured into opening if we weren't convinced that things are as safe as is possible. We are good to go and can't wait to welcome some of you back. Hopefully it won't be too long before we see the rest of you.

Have a lovely weekend,

Simon Dyson  
Principal.

From Love Music Trust:

I am pleased to enclose links to our virtual music resources for w/c 1st June 2020.  
Billing for this coming half term - including any outstanding credits and grants - will be issued by the end of next week.

'Home' lessons

- EYFS/KS1 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wcm0D7xLdn0>
- KS2 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LzhOhMFv5U>

Daily Big Sing

- Monday - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pPNtFRUY0vk>
- Tuesday - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2v66qmCEcrs>
- Wednesday - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=003ZtnX8i1o>
- Thursday - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RfFhSVWrVrk>
- Friday - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uVYBws8SqCc>