



## Venerable Bede Church of England Academy Dayspring Trust

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Dear Parents / Carers

We are now in a position to share some of the key information regarding the return of our pupils to school in January 2021. As you will have read in the news there is to be a staggered start to the new school year to enable schools to support the National Covid testing scheme.

**Year 11 pupils will return** to school on **Monday 04/01/21**. They will engage in the full curriculum and have their usual lessons taught by their usual teacher as far as possible.

**All other year groups (Y7, Y8, Y9 and Y10)** will spend the first week at home and engage in remote learning. They will **return to school on Monday 11/01/21**. Wherever possible we will make sure that pupils are able to engage in live lessons delivered online by their usual teacher.

Other pupils across all year groups **who can attend school, are the Children of Critical Workers and the Vulnerable Pupils** (see current list of who qualifies here [Critical Workers and Vulnerable Pupils](#)). If you feel that your child falls into one of these categories, **and you will be sending them into school on January 04/01/21**, It is essential that you fill in the Key Worker / Vulnerable Pupil form to notify us of this ( [Click here for FORM](#) ). The **deadline to complete this form is Tuesday 23/12/20**. We need this to be a **hard deadline** as we need to look at numbers and prepare for these pupils in school. The provision for these pupils will depend on numbers; as you can imagine, it can be difficult to facilitate remote live lessons and have pupils in front of the teacher being taught at the same time.

We will be providing a meals service in school as usual from Monday 04/01/21. If your child is in receipt of Free Meals, you will have the additional monies credited to your nominated account for that week in the usual way if your child is not in school.

I appreciate that this is a lot of information at short notice, with little time for you to prepare. We will endeavor to keep you as up to date as possible throughout the Christmas period so that we all understand what to do next term.

Yours faithfully

*David Airey*

Mr. D. Airey  
Headteacher