



Hartsdown
Academy

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Dear parents/carers,

As you are probably aware, the government has announced that there may be a limited opening of schools from the 1 June. This will only happen if the government's 'five tests' are met and we will not know until nearer the time.

As a secondary school, we are being asked to provide some face-to-face contact to support exam groups (year 10 and 12) home learning. The government has confirmed that they are not expecting 'business as usual'.

I am working with my staff to put in place measures to ensure that we can deliver some form of education in a way that is safe for both staff and children. This is likely to mean that a limited number of year 10s and 12s will be attending each day and that the day will be shortened. In addition, we are looking to increase contact time for students with SEN needs.

I am keen for us to re-open as I feel that children are missing out on their education and I am convinced that we can do this in a safe manner.

My intention is to send some more information out next week and then to finalise the plans in the week prior to 1 June as by this point we should have received further guidance.

Best wishes

Matt
Headteacher