



# St. Joseph's RC High School

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Dear Parents and Carers

### **Re: Reopening of schools in Wales**

I hope this letter finds you and your family well.

This afternoon, you will have seen the address from the Minister for Education, Kirsty Williams, regarding a reopening of schools in Wales on 29 June.

At the moment, the specific guidance for schools lacks detail and we are unable to share with you any definite plans. Next week, the government will be releasing guidance to schools on how this reopening will work. However, at the moment, this is what we know:

- Schools will reopen for all year groups from 29 June
- The summer term will be extended by one week to 27 July
- Schools will be open to pupils for limited periods during the week
- There will be a phased approach, with year groups being split into groups with staggered starts, lessons and breaks
- All pupils will have the opportunity to "check in, catch up, prepare for summer and September"
- There will be no more than a third of pupils present at any one time
- Schools and councils will make their own decisions over managing the return.
- Parents who choose not to send their children to school will not be fined and children who fall into the shielding category will carry on with online learning.

Please be assured that the safety and well-being of your child and the staff at St Joseph's RC High School are key elements of our reopening planning. Social distancing and good hygiene routines will be strictly enforced. Prior to any pupil returning, we will outline what measures we have in place to minimise the risks of being in school.

It goes without saying that we will continue to provide distance learning so that all pupils continue to learn whether at home or in school.

Next week, I will update you on how our planning for reopening is developing.

Thank you for all the support we have received so far; it has made a huge difference. Please accept my best wishes for your continued good health.

Mrs Jarrett  
Headteacher

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