



ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S SCHOOL



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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for all your continued support with your child's home learning during the current lockdown. We are really encouraged by the tremendous work many of our students are producing and sharing with us.

After a long, sunny weekend and VE celebrations when we were all reminded of the sacrifices made by many during the war, our own current difficulties did not seem so huge, and now, if we all do the right thing as a whole community, great progress can be made to allow us to return to some kind of normality soon.

On Sunday, Boris Johnson laid out his three-step conditional plan - his roadmap for reopening society. However, many questions remain unanswered but what is clear is that school will not return in any normal way until at least September.

Therefore, currently provision remains the same in school for vulnerable students and students of key workers only.

We have today received further details from the DfE and we will now review them and thoughtfully consider the implications for us. Planning for reopening is being actively discussed and considered but safety in school must remain paramount for everyone. As soon as we are able to confirm any details regarding the plans in the future, we will do so.

In the meantime, staff will continue to be very busy providing lesson resources, supporting students and assessing their work. We are also aware that this is a compromised form of lesson delivery and I understand some of the frustrations of working in this manner but everyone is doing their utmost to do their best. Please also be assured of our continuing best efforts to work alongside you in delivering the very best possible education to your sons and daughters.

We will continue to keep you updated as more information becomes available.

Yours faithfully,

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