



Fairlands Middle School

Caring and Inspirational



5 June 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

Thank you for your continued support and efforts throughout this pandemic. I am really grateful to the many of you who completed our recent survey following my letter which shared our re-opening plans for the rest of term.

This afternoon, we have been instructed by the Regional School Commissioner Office (RSC) that only Year 6 pupils are entitled to return to school for the remainder of the school year. We have argued that our plans serve our pupils and community better, but they are offering no compromise at this time. As a result, we need to change our plans. We are **DEVASTATED** at this decision.

Pupils in Year 5, 7 and 8 should continue with home learning. If we are able to invite them at a later date we will get in contact. We are very aware that Year 8 pupils are coming to the end of their time at Fairlands. We will ensure that they are supported through the transition process and that they are given an opportunity to say goodbye properly.

Year 6 pupils should still come to school from Monday 15th June. The pupils will attend for mornings only as planned that week. This arrangement will continue for the foreseeable future whilst we re-evaluate risk assessments.

We will be calling all parents of Year 6 pupils next week to discuss whether they wish to attend and to provide specific arrangements.

Apologies for the short notice in changing the arrangements. Thank you again for your continued support and understanding.

Yours sincerely

Stefan McHale
Headteacher



Fairlands Middle School

Masons Way, Cheddar, Somerset, BS27 3PG, Tel: (01934) 743186 Fax: (01934) 744457 Absence Line: (01934) 743908
E-Mail: office@fairlandsmiddleschool.co.uk Website: www.fairlandsmiddleschool.co.uk

Headteacher: Stefan McHale
Deputy Headteachers: Helen Heffernan and Kate Persaud
Associate Leaders: Robert Cooling and Matthew Vincent SENDCo

Safeguarding Children is everyone's responsibility.

If you are worried about any child please make an appointment to see either Helen Heffernan, Designated Safeguarding Lead or Robert Cooling, Felicity Grant, Sally Virgin, Designated Safeguarding Deputies
Alternatively, you can phone NPSCC: 0808 800 5000 Somerset Direct: 0300 123 2224