



Head Teacher – Mr M Loveridge

Dear parent / carer,

Yesterday the Secretary of State for Education released guidance to schools around what we should do in readiness for opening our school in September.

We will, over the coming days, digest this information and pull together a framework that will enable us to take protective measures in order to welcome your child back into school in September. We will update you with how this will work in practice in the next few weeks.

Due to the amalgamation of Larkrise, Rowdeford and St Nicholas School we have had to make some minor changes to the scheduled training days for next academic year. The following days will be dedicated staff training days and therefore the Rowdeford campus will not be open to any students on the following days.

Tuesday - 1st September 2020

Wednesday- 2nd September 2020

Monday -2nd November 2020

Monday- 30th November 2020

Monday - 4th January 2021

Please be aware that it is likely that when the Executive Headteacher is appointed there will be additional staff training days added to the programme. I have attached an updated school calendar for the next academic year.

The government has said it is not asking schools to be open over the summer holidays and there is no expectation they will be open for vulnerable children and children of critical workers. As you will be aware extensive building work will be taking place on site over the summer holiday, which means that **no onsite provision will be available for any child over the summer**. Due to the delay that Covid-19 has created in the construction industry we have been asked if we would be able to provide earlier access to the site to give contractors more chance of getting the work done by the beginning of the new academic year. **This means that unfortunately there will be no onsite support for any students on the 20th and 21st July; this means that the last day of onsite support this term will be Friday 17th July 2020.** Staff will continue to provide remote support until Tuesday 21st July, so please continue to use the usual channels of communication.

Wiltshire Council is gathering details of local providers who will have summer activities available. This will be available shortly and we will share it with you as soon as it becomes available. The booklet will be online and is likely to be updated as more providers finalise plans so once we have the details we will share them with you.

The government has also confirmed for those families who normally have free school meals they will also be available throughout the summer holidays. You can find out more detail on the [COVID Summer Food Fund](#) published 25 June. Mrs Dillstone, our School Business Manager is already organising payments and vouchers for those families to whom this applies.

Thank you for your ongoing support. If you have any questions or require clarification please do not hesitate to get in touch via the usual channels.

Mr M Loveridge