



16th July 2020

Dear Parents/ Carers,

Reopening plans – September 2020.

The unprecedented challenges we have faced together have shown the true collaboration and partnership with parents, carers and pupils. I'm sure you will join me in thanking DEC's wonderful staff who have worked tirelessly throughout lockdown to provide the best education and care for all pupils amidst very challenging professional and at times personal, circumstances. I would also like to extend huge thanks to all parents, carers and pupils for the unwavering resilience, the incredible hard work and the commitment everyone has shown to home learning since school closed on March 23rd.

The support and feedback everyone has provided has enabled us to continually improve and develop our offer. Thank you to everyone who has emailed or called. The countless messages of thanks and appreciation have been fantastically uplifting.

I am delighted to be writing to you with our detailed plans for reopening school to all pupils from September 2020.

Please visit www.decschool.co.uk/reopening to find everything pupils, carers and parents need to know ahead of the first day back.

Pre-warning! There is a lot of information to go through. We have developed the website page to make the information digestible for everyone. We hope you find the format helpful in processing everything we need to share with you. It is important to not only read all of the information on the website page, but also to spend some time taking your child/ren through it so they understand how things will work in September. During the holiday, a short video will also be released to guide pupils through the information and to recap what they will have read with you from the website.

We start back on Wednesday 2nd September for Year 7 and Year 12, with target setting day for all other year groups. Details will follow in the holidays on how target setting day will work this year. On Thursday 3rd September, all pupils start back with slightly different times for some year groups. All details can be found on the webpage linked above.

We wish everyone a happy, safe and enjoyable summer break. We can't wait to welcome everyone in the DEC family back in September.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mr M Dunn
Head Teacher