



**Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2020**

**Update on potential reopening to more children and key worker provision**

Dear Parent/Carer,

As promised, I am writing to you all again today to update everyone on Lancashire County Council's position on school reopening to more children.

Today they have announced ***schools can reopen to more children***. This means that we will now be opening to ***Key worker's children, Reception, Year 1 and Year 6*** as outlined in our published plan. This will now take place next Monday (Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June) as we are ready. Please see our published plan by clicking the link below:

[https://www.aughtonchristchurch.lancs.sch.uk/serve\\_file/593565](https://www.aughtonchristchurch.lancs.sch.uk/serve_file/593565)

Lancashire County Council notified us today that:

*"Our Director of Public Health has revised his guidance about schools reopening to more pupils and we can now encourage you to take the decision to open more widely to pupils from 22 June if, having undertaken your risk assessment, you consider yourself ready to do so."*

*"Dr Sakthi Karunanithi had issued blanket guidance to schools to delay wider opening to more pupils, because his professional view was that two of the government's five coronavirus tests were not being met in the county. **However, a reduction in the rate of confirmed coronavirus infections combined with our readiness to support the local implementation of the national NHS Test and Trace Programme means that enough progress has now been made to revise this advice**"*

**What does this mean?**

Will be ***updating*** our plan today with some slight changes to take into account the new higher level of Key worker provision that we now have in place. This will be on our website later this afternoon.

We will be closed on this Friday (Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June) to further prepare for the wider opening to these year groups. If you are accessing our key worker provision this week, you will not be able to on Friday.

We will now be liaising with the parents of ***Reception, Year 1 and Year 6*** to confirm details of this reopening in line with our published plans.

Thank you

Mr D Kennedy

**Headteacher**