

17th July 2020

Dear Parents & Carers of all Oak Trees MAT Schools,

As we finish for the Summer term, I would like to take the opportunity to thank you for your patience and support over the past few difficult and challenging months.

The Covid-19 crisis has been a challenge for everyone, and schools and children in particular have been hit hard by the crisis. As a Trust, we have done everything we can to limit the impact on our families and staff, and we are grateful for the many positive comments we have received in these difficult times. Our schools are now busy planning for the return of all pupils in September, and I am confident that with the change in guidance coupled with a determination from the Trust to have all pupils back in September, we will have a much more positive academic year coming up starting in September.

By now your schools' Headteacher should have written to you with plans for the September return. As a Trust, we have considered all the guidance, risk assessed our schools thoroughly and planned collaboratively to ensure that our schools will be as safe as can be for all pupils to return in September. The Trust Board, Governors, MAT Central Team and the Headteachers are excited about the prospect of seeing all our children back, and we will do everything we can to ensure the health and well being of all our children in the Autumn term as well as putting in place plans for our children to catch up on lost learning over the past months.

On another note, we would like to wish all our Year 6 children good luck in the future, and we hope that you have a fabulous time at your secondary schools in September. We understand that it has not been the end to their primary years that the Year 6 children and their parents would have envisaged, but we are confident that the children are ready for secondary school and hope that they settle in quickly to their new settings in September.

Thanks again for all your support, and the excellent efforts of all our staff and Headteachers, and I will write to you when schools return to outline some of our exciting plans for the next academic year.

Yours sincerely,

Chief Executive Officer

Oak Trees Multi Academy Trust