

*Our Reference: KHD/SB\**

11<sup>th</sup> May 2020

Dear Families,

Following the announcement last night that only primary schools may open from the 1<sup>st</sup> June, we will await further government guidance about when and how we will be able to re-open the school safely. The current information seems to be prioritising the return of Year 10 and Year 12 students as they will have external examinations next summer. As soon as we have further information, we will share this with families and provide the reassurance that staff and student safety will be our main priority.

Please continue to let your child's Head of Year know if there is something we should know to help support you at this time or if your circumstances have changed since telephone calls were made home after the Easter holiday. We have kept the school open every single day except weekends and the Bank Holidays since the lockdown started. The staff have been in regular contact with our vulnerable students, have continued to provide work packs for those without access to IT at home and have ensured all families eligible have received their free school meal vouchers and community boxes.

We really miss the students and whilst we are looking forward to getting the school back to 'normal', your kind messages of support have been very much appreciated; they are a great encouragement to the staff who are doing their very best at this time.

On behalf of all at RPHS, wishing you and your family our very best regards,

*K. Heard*

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**Headteacher**