

9<sup>th</sup> July 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope this letter finds you and your family well. As we approach the end of this extraordinary academic year, we are already looking forward to welcoming everyone back into school next term. A school is a community and sadly, for too long now we have not been able to be together.

I thought I should update you on the work we are doing to ensure we re-open safely for all our children and staff at Corby Technical School next term. I have set the main stages of this work out below:

Actions we are taking before the end of term:

- Completing a risk assessment for full reopening which addresses all the points in the latest government and Public Health England guidance for schools.
- Developing a re-opening plan where all risks are mitigated as far as possible and beginning consultation on the draft plan with our staff.

Actions during the summer holiday:

- Completing consultation with staff, governors and unions.
- Getting formal approval for our re-opening plans from the Brooke Weston Trust board.
- Publishing information to you and your child(ren) about the reopening of Corby Technical School and how you can help us to get off to a good start. We intend to send this information to you in the week beginning August 10<sup>th</sup> - waiting until then means we can respond to any further changes in the guidance in the days ahead.

In the meantime, I would like to tell you about the fantastic work that has been going on to prepare an exciting curriculum for next year. In particular, we have thought carefully about the kinds of things we can do to offer support to all our children, enabling them to reconnect with their learning in school. We appreciate that students have taken different approaches to their learning during the lockdown period and are hugely grateful for the support that you have provided during this time. Our curriculum for next year has been constructed using a 'Review and Continue' model, to ensure that we identify and address any gaps there may be in students' learning, as well as continuing to provide high quality teaching that builds confidence and supports student progress.

We have also focused on ensuring everything will be in place to support students re-adjusting back into school life so that we can make this a positive experience that ensures students adjust quickly and are able to fulfil their potential.

Finally, if you have any questions about the content of this letter please do contact the school at [enquiries@corbytechnicalschool.org](mailto:enquiries@corbytechnicalschool.org).

Yours sincerely,



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Principal