

"A learning community in pursuit of excellence"

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your responses to our survey about the current Covid-19 situation. It has provided some excellent ideas and has given us a much clearer picture about how parents and families feel. It is also useful to see how varied our responses are and it reminds us that we serve a large and varied community with many different thoughts and feelings. We range from those who want the lockdown removed immediately, through to those who never want school open again. Clearly, neither are possible and neither will be totally satisfied or comfortable with any approach that we do eventually take. This is entirely understandable.

Last night, many of us will have heard the government's latest briefing and will have heard about *possible* plans to *possibly* open schools to some year groups after June 1st. We will now wait for further information about what this may mean in the future. However, at this moment in time, the situation has NOT changed. **Lytham St Annes High School remains closed to all students**, except those defined by the government as having parents who are "critical to Covid-19" i.e. Key Workers. Despite some change to the slogans used by the government, the advice remains that even the children of Key Workers should only attend school where no other provision can be found i.e. as a last resort.

We will follow this situation carefully and will make sure we are ready to meet any expectations that the government have as well as the needs of our community, whilst trying to keep our children, colleagues and families safe.

Thank you again for your continued support, engagement and understanding.

Please continue to stay safe and look after yourselves.

Yours sincerely,

Ray Baker Headteacher