



**St. Cuthbert's**  
Roman Catholic High School

22<sup>nd</sup> May 2020

Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing to you with regard to the recent government announcement pertaining to the gradual reopening of schools.

As you may or may not be aware the Department for Education published a document stating that primary schools will reopen on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2020 and that from the same date '*secondary schools, sixth form, and further education colleges (are) to begin (facilitating) some face-to-face support with year 10 and 12 pupils, although we do not expect these pupils to return on a full-time basis at this stage*'.

As a result of this new government direction we have been looking at various models to facilitate some 'face-to-face support' for our Year 10 students in an environment that is safe for everyone.

I appreciate that there will be a degree of uncertainty and anxiety around the current situation. Again I must stress that as always we will do all we can to minimise risk. With this in mind the school will begin to reopen to **Year 10** students from **Monday 15th June 2020 unless the government advice changes**.

We will be inviting students in on a rotational basis with a maximum of sixty Year 10 students attending school on any one day. We will make use of our largest spaces to ensure that students and staff are at least 2 metres apart.

I will be writing to you during the week commencing Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2020 with more details but I wanted to take this opportunity to communicate our intentions on how this partial reopening will look.

Where students are unable to attend please be assured that we will not be challenging this. We will however be completing safeguarding checks in line with our attendance and safeguarding procedures.

We hope that you will see this as an opportunity for your son/daughter to begin some form of reintegration back into school in an environment where they can receive some direction on what work they should be looking to complete over the summer holidays.

Your child has been sent some optional activities to complete over the half term break .Please note these are not compulsory but may be of interest to you son / daughter.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Mr D Shields  
Head teacher

