



EMMANUEL COLLEGE
Emmanuel Schools Foundation

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Dear Parents and Carers

At the time of writing we still lack clarity regarding specific guidance relating to schools for September but understand that we will be encouraged to bring all students back, albeit with updated COVID secure restrictions in place. We are very keen to achieve this and are very much looking forward to welcoming students back and meeting our new Year 7 students.

Staff were due to return for training on Monday 7 September with students returning on Wednesday 9 September. However, in light of the situation we find ourselves in, I believe it would be much more beneficial to begin to bring students back in a phased way from Wednesday 2 September. I am therefore writing to you to communicate our plans, having consulted with trustees, governors and the senior management team.

The current arrangements are now as follows:

1. We will bring forward the end of this term to **Friday 10 July**

There will therefore be no routine work set from this point for any year groups. However, teachers are keen to set some additional catch up work that students can engage with over summer if this is necessary. More information on this will follow.

2. We will provide a limited childcare service for any key worker children in Years 7-10 during the week commencing Monday 13 July for those children for whom this is an essential provision.

If you require a place during this week for your children you should contact reception@emmanuelctc.org.uk by Thursday 2 July so that we can plan this additional provision appropriately.

3. Students will begin to return to school on a phased basis from **Wednesday 2 September** following this plan.

Year 10 and Year 11 will return on Wednesday 2 September

Year 12 and Year 13 will return on Thursday 3 September

Year 7 will start Emmanuel on Monday 7 September

Year 8 will return on Tuesday 8 September

Year 9 will return on Wednesday 9 September

We understand that, given the late notice for this change, some parents will have immovable commitments in place (such as holidays) which mean that their children will not be able to attend school until Wednesday 9 September. I would ask that parents make every effort to ensure that their child returns on the dates set out above but if this is not possible you should notify school of this in advance by emailing enquiries@emmanuelctc.org.uk by Thursday 2 July.

I recognise that this change may require some thinking through but I really do believe it is in the best interests of our students and that it will allow us to return in a safe and effective way and to therefore start the year as well as possible.

Yours sincerely

Matthew Waterfield
Principal