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Dear colleague

Re: Schools Opening

I hope you are all keeping safe and well and by now you will probably have seen the Government's announcements on the earliest proposed date for some year groups returning to structured learning in education settings.

If you have not yet had time to read it, the principal guidance spans three documents and the links to those are shown below.

www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-implementing-protective-measures-in-education-and-childcare-settings

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/actions-for-educational-and-childcare-settings-to-prepare-for-wider-opening-from-1-june-2020>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers/reopening-schools-and-other-educational-settings-from-1-june>

What should I do now?

All learning providers should ensure that they are fully familiar with the guidance and the steps which the government is asking you to follow. You will need to engage with your staff and your communities in addition to keeping abreast of advice from the government, Public Health England, health and safety executive, the local resilience forum, Derbyshire County Council, your responsible body and from unions too.

When is Derbyshire County Council going to provide further guidance?

Derbyshire County Council has two meetings with the DfE this week regarding this advice. In addition, it will also gather guidance from the above organisations and will issue further information as soon as it is practical to do so.

Yours sincerely

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