



# Leigh and Bransford Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

## **Government Announcement – COVID-19 lifting of restrictions**

I am sure you will be aware that yesterday the government confirmed the lifting of COVID-19 restrictions from 19th July.

The updated guidance states that the requirement for schools to continue the current Covid-19 measures, including social distancing, face coverings and bubbles is removed. It does also, however, explain that schools are able to maintain these measures until the end of term should they wish.

In discussion and agreement with our governors, we have decided that we will continue our measures for the three remaining days of term. This decision is based on our belief that to continue our protective measures for pupils and staff reduces the chance that people would be required to isolate at the beginning of their summer breaks and of course protect them against COVID-19. It also comes against the backdrop of increased cases locally and the fact that this school has had to close our Class 1 bubble yesterday due to a positive case.

Therefore we will retain class bubbles, staggered starts/finishes and face coverings whilst on the school site until the end of term on Wednesday 21st July.

I will write to you next week about our operating plans from September, which under the new guidance will allow for a return to a much more usual school experience for the next academic year.

Yours sincerely

Mr S Bill

Headteacher