

Collaboration of Glossop Schools

To Empower Every Young Mind for A Fulfilling Future



06/06/2020

RE – Delaying wider opening of schools until 22/06/2020.

Dear Pupils, Parents and Carers,

This is a joint letter from the headteachers and Chairs of Governors for the COGS schools (Collaboration of Glossop Schools), please see below for a list of the schools.

We hope this letter finds you all well and we would like to thank you all for the support and sense of community we have all shown during these unprecedented and difficult times.

We want to see all of your children return to school and we have missed everyone greatly. Our first priority is and must always be the safety and welfare of our pupils, families and staff. Tameside Council and independent research from Cambridge University states that the R rate has risen above 1 and Tameside have advised all Tameside schools to close except for children of keyworkers. One of the primary concerns is ability of the Tameside Health Care to cope with an increase the number of people needed hospital care. As we are part of Tameside Health Care, we have made the difficult but only responsible decision to delay wider opening of our schools until the 22/06/2020. We will of course respond to the advice and information then and it may be that the date is further delayed.

We will remain open for children of keyworkers but please be aware that the level of risk of getting and spreading Covid 19 still remains extremely high and we request that you only use a keyworker place if it is absolutely needed.

We are all very sorry that we won't be able to welcome our pupils back yet and we know this may be disappointing for pupils, who were looking forward to coming back but we must put safety first.

Please continue to look after yourselves and each other.

Your faithfully

Craig Woodward
Headteacher

Ben Powell
Chair of Governors



...from tiny acorns great oaks grow

Schools represented

Whitfield St James' CE (VC) Primary School
Simmondley Primary School
Hadfield Infants School
St Andrews' Junior School
Duke of Norfolk Primary School
Padfield Primary School
Dinting CE Primary School
Tintwistle CE (VA) Primary School
Hadfield Nursery School
Charlesworth Primary School