

Allerton Grange School

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Headteacher: Mr M Roper

To All Parents/Carers

Our Ref: MRp/BMa

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Dear Parent/Carer

Welcome back, following a relatively successful first half-term, which saw minimal staff absence and a student attendance rate above the national average.

I would like to refer you back to my letter of 14 September and urge you to read again (available on the school website https://www.allertongrange.com/assets/Letters/Sept-2020-New-term-Sept-20-partial-closure-info.pdf). It explains the possible reasons for a full or partial school closure. One of those reasons is 'if significant staff absence does not allow for the safe running of the school'. Today we have ten members of staff absent, the vast majority of whom are self-isolating. As a result, we have a further three agency staff covering lessons as well as our own team of cover supervisors. This situation is, potentially, unsustainable. Therefore, I am writing to alert you to the possibility that, later this week, it may be necessary to put into place a partial closure of the school.

We are reviewing the situation on a daily basis and will do all we can to keep the school fully operational. Please be aware that circumstances may only allow us to provide as little as 24 hours' notice of partial closure. However, just to reassure you, students will continue to complete work via MS Teams and be able to engage with staff online.

Yours faithfully





















