

## TSPT Pupil Attendance Statement

The following statement is based on guidance from the government around the wider return of children to school from 1<sup>st</sup> June 2020 during the C19 pandemic.

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

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-school-closures/guidance-for-schools-about-temporarily-closing#attendance>

It also takes into account advice to schools on protective practices:

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

- The Spring Partnership Trust schools have remained open for the children of keyworkers and vulnerable children. These children will continue to be welcomed into school.
- There will be a phased return to school for pupils (in line with Government guidance) starting with Nursery, Reception; Year 1 and Year 6 classes from the 1<sup>st</sup> June 2020. Parents will be informed of the date and arrangements for their child to return to school. This will include details on safe entry and collection points.
- Timings for the school day will change for year groups and the teaching 'bubbles' within them in order to maintain safety and facilitate social distancing between adults collecting the children.
- Recording of punctuality on the attendance register will reflect the new start times.
- Spring Partnership Trust schools will put into place a range of protective measures to facilitate the safety of pupils and staff. Parents will receive information informing them about the protective measures in order that they can make an informed choice over their child's attendance.
- In line with government guidance, parents will not incur penalties or fines if they decide that their child will not attend school.
- Parents should keep an open dialogue with their child's school in the event of a change in their decision around attendance – school will then provide them with information on when and how to attend school under the protective practise arrangements.
- Parents should not send their child to school if they show coronavirus symptoms and the school will isolate any child with symptoms prior to parents being informed and children collected from school.
- If a child or member of staff within a teaching 'bubble' is tested positive for the virus, all members of the teaching 'bubble' will self-isolate for 14 days. Children must not attend school in this instance.
- Some children will not attend school or will attend on a re-integration timetable as the risk for safety and wellbeing for themselves, peers or staff is judged to be too great.