

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> May

Dear Parent / Carer,

Further to my letter of 29<sup>th</sup> March, I am writing with more information about our proposed return to KAA1 in September.

I understand that not all parents received the 29<sup>th</sup> March letter, which was sent via students (with a parallel text message to parents saying to expect it). Accordingly, we are sending this one by post. If you would like to read the first letter, or indeed any parent communication the school sends, it can be viewed here: <https://kaa.org.uk/students-parents/letters-to-parents>. If your mobile phone number changes please let us know by calling reception on 0207 313 5800 ext 3, otherwise there is a risk you will miss important texts.

Further to the letter of the 29<sup>th</sup> March, and the Parent Q&A session we held on the 17<sup>th</sup> April, we now understand that parents' top concerns about moving back are:

- a) The safety of students and any risks from the demolition of the tower
- b) Air quality
- c) Noise disruption
- d) Students having an emotional or traumatic reaction to returning to the building

As you would expect, we have detailed plans in place to tackle all four issues, and any other risks associated with the return. These plans have been developed in conjunction with central government, the NHS and other experts, and are being independently verified. We have created a "Frequently Asked Questions" page for our website which details our current risk analysis and planning for the return – this can be seen here: [www.kaa.org.uk/KAA1-FAQs](http://www.kaa.org.uk/KAA1-FAQs). The two key messages I would like to get across here are:

1. **The final decision on the move back to KAA1 will not be made until later this term; Governors have said at this stage they "in principle" support a move back. If we cannot be sure students will be safe and their education unaffected then we will not move back, though we firmly believe education would be enhanced if we moved back to KAA1.**
2. **To ensure the option of returning in September goes as smoothly as possible, all students and parents will be given the opportunity to visit KAA1 later this term, with friends, form tutors and therapists for support as needed.**

If, having read the letters and the FAQs page, you would like to discuss this issue further then please either:

- Come to a Q&A session with me here at KAA2 to ask any questions you would like – we will hold two sessions on **Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May** and **Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> June from 6.30pm to 7.30pm** – and we are currently making arrangements, where possible, for members of the Grenfell Demolition team and the NHS Psychiatric teams working with students affected by Grenfell to be there for you to speak to directly.
- Failing that, ring me on: 0207 313 5800 ext 2 and my Executive Assistant Melanie Rieder will schedule a time for us to speak. Given the importance of this issue, I am of course willing to make as much time as needed to speak to parents about it.

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at these upcoming events to discuss the move back to Silchester Road.

Best wishes,



**David Benson**  
Principal

