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Dear Parents / Carers,

I am writing to update you on the educational provision for vulnerable pupils and the children of 'key workers' at Akroydon Primary Academy. With effect from Monday 30th March, this crucial provision will operate out of Trinity Academy Halifax (HX2 9TZ).

Trinity Trust has worked pro-actively with the local authority and other schools to develop this 'hub model', which is designed to ensure we can remain open even if the spread of the virus continues. As part of the Trust, we obviously already have strong relationships with Trinity Academy Halifax, and therefore already share many staff and systems across both schools.

Today, staff from both schools have prepared a dedicated area of the school, deep cleaning an entire corridor of classrooms and setting them up to look like primary classrooms. Furniture and resources have been transferred from Akroydon, and our current team of staff will continue to teach and care for your children.

The building at Trinity Academy Halifax was purpose built to educate 1800 pupils, meaning the site itself enables us to continue to adhere fully to guidance on social distancing, and even within that we have planned staggered break times, separate play facilities and so on.

I know that many of you have already discussed this development with us on the phone, and I am grateful because the response has been overwhelmingly supportive. Nonetheless, I thought it important to provide you with further detail and reassurance on why and how we are doing this.

Finally, in line with social distancing guidance, we encourage you to transport your children to the site yourselves. Upon arrival you will be met by staff from Akroydon, who will take the children to the dedicated area of the building. As mentioned in the call, if arranging your own transport causes a *serious issue* for you and your family, please do not hesitate to call us for a discussion.

Yours sincerely

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