



CANSFIELD

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5th October 2021

Dear families of prospective Cansfield students,

It is with great sadness that I have decided to cancel our Open Evening, which was scheduled for Thursday. Over the last few days it has become apparent from conversations with primary schools and parents contacting us directly that we would have received significantly more than 1500 visitors. While we are delighted that there is so much interest in and enthusiasm about our school, the nature of an Open Evening makes it very challenging to conduct it in a controlled manner for so many people. While we wanted to showcase our beautiful school and our wonderful students, the current climate simply does not allow this given the numbers that we would have had to cater for.

While we cannot run the Open Evening as planned, we are offering all families who want it a chance to see the school and meet the staff. We will be conducting a series of tours, which we will handle in such a manner as to prioritise the safety of all members of our community. These tours will be bookable via our school website and using the Eventbrite booking platform. Initially we will be offering times for Thursday, with more times and dates for tours being made available in the forthcoming days. Likewise, if you have further questions you are very welcome to have a meeting to speak directly to myself or members of our senior team. Tours can be booked via the pink 'Open Day' tab on the front page of our school website at: <https://www.cansfield.wigan.sch.uk>. You are also welcome to ring in directly to our school office if you would like support with this.

I realise that this will be disappointing for those of you who were looking forward to seeing us at the Open Evening. However, we simply could not operate in a safe and controlled manner given the anticipated numbers. I do hope, however, that the tours and opportunities to meet with any of us will go some way to answering your questions.

Best wishes,

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Executive Headteacher.

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