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Dear All

We would like to give you an update on the guidelines given to Write-Trak and the updates provided by the Government.

On 24 May the Prime Minister announced that secondary schools should plan on the basis that from the week commencing 15 June, they can invite year 10 and 12 pupils (years 10 and 11 for alternative provision schools) back into school for some face-to-face support with their teachers, subject to the government's 5 tests being met.

Write-Trak is not a school but an alternative education provider and as such our risk assessment, based on the latest scientific and medical advice, is that we are not able to practise social distancing in line with the measures the government is asking everyone to adopt in public and in workplaces, including keeping pupils 2 metres apart from each other where possible. This is more achievable in school but not in the tutor's home environment and as such, at this present time, would constitute a very high risk to our pupils and tutors, including their families.

As the tutors work from their home environments the Government has stated:-
Right now, you are only allowed to meet people you do not live with outdoors. Seeing people outside, rather than inside, while obeying the '2 metre rule', greatly reduces the risk of transmission. Close contact with people from other households means a much higher risk of transmission, and according to the scientific advice, we cannot safely allow people to see people they don't live with indoors without the risk that the virus will spread. We recognise how difficult this is for people – particularly those who live alone and we are keeping this under constant review.

So sadly Write-Trak have been advised that students can NOT go into the tutor's home environment.

We will continue providing our virtual learning provision for all our pupils whereby the tutors continue with their daily phone calls, complete their work logs, daily attendance is monitored and implementing virtual programmes for each student.

We recognise that this is a difficult time for our pupils and their families and we will endeavour to continue to offer the best virtual programmes for each pupil's individual needs. There are some pupils who have struggled to engage with the virtual learning programme and for these students we will be looking into alternative methods to re-engage them in learning.

Write-Trak would like to thank you again for your commitment, hard work and imagination ensuring your child has engaged with their tutors on a daily basis ... indeed some students have exceeded all our expectations.

We must all continue to work together to continue to reduce the risk of increasing transmission of COVID-19.

Stay Safe and thank you all again for your amazing support.

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