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Please find the guidance that has been provided to us by the DFE in response to the announcement Tuesday:

Yesterday the government announced a 4-week pause at Step 3. **Step 3 restrictions remain in place, including those set out in the [COVID-19 operational guidance](#) for your setting.**

It is expected that England will move to Step 4 on 19 July 2021, although the data will be reviewed after 2 weeks in case the risks have reduced. The government will continue to monitor the data and the move to Step 4, this will be confirmed one week in advance.

It is our priority that all education and childcare settings deliver face-to-face, high quality provision to all children and students. At a time when further easing of restrictions has been paused, the current system of controls should continue to be implemented in education and childcare settings. ***This means settings should encourage staff, and students, where applicable, to continue to test twice weekly and student bubbles, where they exist, should stay in place. Early years settings should continue to minimise mixing by keeping children in consistent groups.***

We will update schools, colleges and early years settings on plans for Step 4 as soon as possible.

We know you may have questions following the Prime Minister's announcement about what this means for some of your summer term activities. The general principle is that early years, schools and colleges must continue to risk assess and plan activities in line with the system of controls and should follow government guidance.

Based on the guidance above: We will keep you updated in the meantime please continue to follow the guidance that is currently in place.

Thank you
Jeanette and staff