



Dear Parents and Carers

Returning to school on 8th March 2021

We are looking forward to welcoming **all of the children** back to school on **Monday 8th March 2021**. The safety, wellbeing and educational experience for your child is **our highest priority** and so we are making detailed plans for welcoming them into our school environment next week.

Over the past few months the circumstances around coronavirus (COVID-19) have been a challenge for everyone: children, young people, parents/carers and school staff. The fantastic support from parents and carers has enabled our children to continue their learning whilst the majority of them have been at home and this will benefit them greatly when returning to school next week.

The national data has shown that there is a significant decrease in the transmission of the number of coronavirus (COVID-19) cases so the government has now asked all schools to plan to open from 8th March.

The government has issued guidance for parents and carers, and so please take a few minutes to read this through: [What parents and carers need to know about early years providers, schools and colleges during COVID-19.](#)

We would like to share some organisational information with you to support the return of your child/children. We will continue to send out further information tomorrow and Friday. We have reviewed our whole school risk assessment and Health and Safety policies in line with DFE guidance and have worked closely with our Health and Safety consultant.

Parents, please be aware that in the guidance a child who is shielding should not attend school and will need to continue to learn at home, accessing our remote learning.

If any child has any symptoms or has contact with anyone who has symptoms, they will need to follow the guidance regarding testing and isolation.

Your role as a parent – Health and Safety on the school site

As all of our children return on Monday, we must consider the safety of parents as well as children whilst on the school site.

Parents and carers need to ensure that they take responsibility for their own safety by adhering to the following measures:

- Wearing a face covering on site
- Ensure social distancing of 2 metres
- One parent to escort their child/children on to the site
- Parents and carers only to remain on site for the designated time
- Parents and carers not to congregate and chat on the school site

We will be in contact with you tomorrow with further information around start and finish times, lunch time arrangements, school equipment, and Breakfast and After School Club. We will also send home some information to you to share with your child over the weekend in preparation for them returning on Monday. You will also receive some information about the curriculum.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Jacqueline McGibney
Headteacher