



22nd February 2021

Dear Parents,

Return to school on 8th March 2021

Following Prime Minister Boris Johnson's announcement today in the House of Commons, I can confirm that we will be welcoming all children back in to school on Monday 8th March 2021. It seems so long since the end of December, so I thought I would just remind you of some of the key information that you will need.

Start and finish times

Year 3- 8.30am-3.00pm
Year 4 - 8.45am-3.15pm
Year 5- 9.00am-3.30pm
Year 6- 9.15am-3.45pm

Please make sure that you are using the one way system on the school site, entering the top gate by the community room and leaving via the main gate. Face masks should be worn when on site please.

Breakfast club and JASPA

Breakfast club and JASPA are in operation so please log on to Scopay if you require before or after childcare. Please try to book this within the next week so that we can ensure that we have sufficient food in stock to feed the children.

Uniforms

Full uniform will be required including school shoes. On your child's PE days they should come to school in their PE kit and although the weather is improving please ensure your child has their coat and warm clothes with them.

In school

Your child will remain in their Year group bubble and predominantly just in their class groups. Teachers and adults will support them with frequent handwashing and sanitising. Breaktimes will be in designated year group areas and lunches will be eaten in the classrooms. We are hopeful that after Easter when the weather warms up then we will be able to eat outside.

Behaviour will be a focus when we return, following the first lockdown we found that much higher numbers of children struggled to be back in school following rules and expectations. Please use the next two weeks to remind your child of acceptable school behaviours and the need to talk to an adult if they feel they are struggling. The school will not tolerate other children being hurt or learning being continually disrupted, where needed the school will exclude children. This return to school is important for all children. Yes of course, our pastoral team and all staff will be there to help all children who are struggling to return and regulate emotions, but it is very important that all children are safe and feel comfortable to be back with their peers.

Loan of computers/electronic devices

During the week of 8-12th March please return all devices that the school has loaned to you during lockdown. These need to be returned to the office and signed back in by an adult. **Please do not give the device to your child to return.**

Catch up sessions

These will all begin week of 15th March 2021 and we will reconfirm all groups with parents.

Staff Lateral Flow testing

All staff have been issued with Lateral Flow tests, these are completed twice a week and will enable us to detect any new staff cases of Covid 19, if this occurs will we advise parents immediately. We would also ask that you remain vigilant and if your child or a family member displays any symptoms that you follow the Government guidance and also inform us straight away. To our knowledge there are no proposals for primary age children to be tested in school.

We are really looking forwards to seeing your child back in school, and would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for the brilliant job you have done in supporting your child with their learning throughout this Lockdown. Whilst this support will help us to get back to full speed in the classroom it has ultimately been about helping your own child to succeed in these difficult times.

Yours sincerely



Mrs Jo Walker

Headteacher

