

Monday 1st March 2021

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Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing to you after the announcement earlier this week from the Prime Minister that it is safe for **all** pupils to return to school on **Monday 8th March 2021**. We are looking forward to welcoming all pupils back. Transport buses will be operating as normal.

Once again a big thankyou to all of you as parents who have been supporting your child's Remote Learning at home. This has not been an easy task but you have done your very best in difficult circumstances. You need to be proud of what you have been able to achieve.

All pupils will return to school on **Monday 8th March 2021**. Attendance is mandatory and the usual procedures and protocols are back in place. If a child is unwell, please remember to phone the school office **before 9am** to inform us of the reason for absence. The same regulations around children being ill still apply e.g. children who are ill generally should not be in school. If a child has had **vomiting or diarrhoea**, they should not be in school for **48 hours** from the last episode.

As you may be aware children over the age of 2 are now able to access Lateral Flow Testing (LFT) Community sites. We advise ALL parents to take their child on the weekend before returning on the 8th March and weekly from then. Information on the location of LFT Community sites is available at <https://www.coventry.gov.uk/lateralflowtesting>

The school will be continuing the arrangements that were in place prior to the lockdown.

- Children who are symptomatic of COVID (**A New, continuous cough OR high temperature OR change in, normal sense of taste or smell**), **MUST NOT** attend school and a PCR test should be booked.
- A child **MUST NOT** be in school if they or a member of their household is symptomatic of COVID. They must self-isolate until a test can be booked and if positive are to self-isolate for 10days. The child must also have been fever free for 48 hours before they return to school.
- Parents are informed of whether there has been a positive case in school and whether their child has been in social contact with the positive case. Depending on the timing of this a bubble may be sent home or identified pupils to self-isolate for 10 days.

- If parents follow the latest guidance around social contact given by the government, this will also protect staff and pupils in school.

If your child is entitled to transport but you would like to continue transporting your child yourself, you are able to continue to do so and will be entitled to the personal travel budget of 45p per mile. You must inform the school by Thursday 4th March if you are intending to do this.

Only arrive at School for your designated Time

Parents to drop off in the morning at 9.15am

Parent to collect in the afternoon at 3.15pm

Please do not arrive any earlier. All parents must wear face covering and maintain social distancing at all time.

Yours faithfully

A. Neale

Alison Neale
Head Teacher