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Dear Parent, Carers and Families,

Following the announcement from the Prime Minister stating that all children will return to school on **Monday 8th March at 9am**, we would first and foremost like to take this opportunity to say how much we are looking forward to seeing them all again.

Whilst we have remained open to children of Key Workers and have seen many children on a screen daily, we have missed the whole school community, and can't wait for school to be humming with life and learning again.

The focus for the start of term will be the children's wellbeing and ensuring a smooth return to school. Our priorities will continue to be to minimise the risk of infection, manage any cases/potential cases of Covid-19 and ensure that we are able to keep school operating as close to normal throughout the year.

Please note, you must not send your child into school if they or any member of the household is displaying any symptoms of Covid-19.

We are also delighted to be able to offer every child and their families a test on site. The first test will take place on Friday 5th March (the Friday before our students return) and we will provide further details as to how this process will work in the next day or two. There will be a further two tests delivered on site and then we will be providing home test kits for our students to use at home.



Reminders:

- 1. All children to return to school on Monday 8th March**
- 2. Children will leave at staggered 5 minute intervals at the end of each day between 2:20pm and 2:35pm. You will be advised by your child's form teacher of specific times.**
- 3. Children will be asked to wear a mask in the social areas of school and can wear a mask in the classroom if required.**
- 4. Children with symptoms of coronavirus will be sent home and not allowed back for 10 days unless you provide evidence of a negative test result.**
- 5. The first on-site test will be available for children and their families on Friday 5th March**
- 6. There will be 3 on-site tests over the next two weeks and then test kits will be provide to complete at home.**

We understand this is a lot of information to take in and we appreciate you making yourself familiar with it before Monday 8th March.

Regards



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