

Friday 26 February 2021



Update

Dear Parents & Carers,

I hope this letter finds you all safe and well.

Following the Prime Minister's announcement on Monday evening we are looking forward to welcoming all pupils back to school on Monday 08 March.

I understand that many of you may well be nervous about your child returning, both from a safety perspective and attending full-time after not being in school since December.

On the safety front, I can offer my re-assurances that as a school we are continuing with our risk assessment and ensuring we are as safe as we can be. We now have the added benefit that 95% of staff have had their first dose of vaccine and a date already scheduled in April for the second.

I have also been made aware that the passenger assistants and LCC employed drivers have all had their first dose of the vaccine and will shortly be taking part in twice weekly home testing during the school day.

Please be aware that should a driver or PA test positive, the transport team will not be able to cover the run and so please plan and prepare for how you could collect your child from school. Whilst it is unlikely since they have been vaccinated and will continue to wear PPE, please plan for this possibility. If you have no way of collecting your child from school, please let your child's class teacher know, so that this can be logged, and a member of the Pupil & Family Support team will be in touch.

We continue to test the staff team twice per week and the Government have also announced increased testing for pupils to twice per week too. We are awaiting further guidance on this; I will write with further information about this next week.

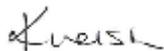
In relation to any concerns, you may have regarding your child returning full-time, if you would like your child to return on a phased basis between 08 March and the end of term on 26 March, please contact your child's class teacher to discuss and agree. Please contact them by Wednesday 03 March, as we will need to inform transport ASAP. Once you have agreed dates with the class teacher and transport have been informed, it is unlikely these can be changed.

I am happy to support a phase return over the last three weeks of term but do expect all pupils to return full-time following the Easter Break on Monday 12 April.

If you have concerns about this due to your own or a family member's health needs and the impact this could have, please raise this with your child's class teacher and a member of the Pupil & Family Support team will be in touch to discuss further.

Kindest regards,

Take Care & Keep Safe 



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