



St. George's School

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Dear Parent/Carer

We are really pleased to be writing this email.

The Prime Minister has announced that all schools will begin re-opening to all pupils in the week beginning 8th March. We have all worked hard with online learning and I thank you for supporting your child and keeping them motivated and engaged.

I will send out further information about how the reopening of school will work before 8th March, once we have had time to plan how to make this work safely and efficiently for everyone. This email is to highlight some essential points.

Different dates for different year groups.

All secondary schools will be asking pupils to take a COVID test before they start back in lessons. This is a time-consuming process and we will spread the return of year groups across the week. More details will follow on the sequence of the year group return. Online learning will continue during the first week of phased return.

COVID Testing.

After the initial testing has taken place in school, pupils will be asked to self-administer a COVID test twice a week at home. Self-testing is a process that is already well established in school for staff and for those pupils who have been attending our critical worker provision. The first three tests will be carried out in school, and after that pupils will be given test kits to use at home, as per government guidance.

If you have not already given consent I would encourage you to do so on the following link. <https://forms.gle/ywCEv3mYZG7e28aX7>

Face Coverings.

As you know face coverings have been compulsory in corridors and communal spaces since our original return in September. Once pupils return they will also be compulsory in classrooms in all schools in England, for staff and pupils unless there are specific medical reasons why they cannot be worn. This will take time for all of us to get used to, but it will help us to maintain a safe environment for everyone.

As a reminder we gave all pupils two reusable, washable face masks in September. The only acceptable form of face covering is a standard plain mask in black, white or grey

Attendance.

I recognise that some of you will have concerns about your children returning to school and this is understandable. Please feel free to contact our pastoral team using the following email, before the 8th March, and we will help ease and address any concerns. pastoralteam@cidari.co.uk

Finally.

We felt it was important to provide this update. As you will appreciate we have only just received the information we need to organise pupils' return. Further updates will follow over the coming days, this will include the date between 8th-12th March when your child will return.

In the meantime if you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Take Care

G Warnock

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Headteacher