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Dear Parent / Carer

Re-opening of school on 8th March 2021 and recovery curriculum

Further to the announcement from government last week you will be aware that all pupils are expected to return to school on Monday 8th March 2021.

We want to re-assure you that we have carefully planned how we can re-open as safely as possible following local and national guidelines.

Some of the key measures will be the same as our September school return and include;

- Continued emphasis on hand washing regularly throughout the school day
- Encouraging children to maintain a safe social distance where possible
- Class bubbles to be separate as often as the space in school allows
- Use of additional entry and exit points for classes
- Assemblies and collaborative celebrations to take place in class bubbles rather than any whole school gatherings
- All parents to leave children at their entry point to school
- Trainers to be worn wherever possible to ensure that staff can maximise the potential for outdoor learning
- PE kits to be brought into during first week back and remain in school for the half-term





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- Reduced school trips or educational visits
- Limited parent / carer events to minimise the number of people on site and any one time
- Specific routes around school to minimise contact between groups of pupils
- Designated play areas on the playground/field to minimise contact and staggered play / lunch-times
- We have minimised the amount of time staff spend onsite working to maximise time for deep cleaning at the end of each school day
- Staff will not at this time visit alternative establishments or attend training events unless necessary. Training that is deemed to be necessary will take place virtually where possible

We recognise that returning to school will be both exciting but also challenging for many pupils.

We would like to assure you that we are adapting our curriculum, as we did in our first school return in September, to ensure that it meets the needs of all of our children who have experienced such difficult times over the past school year.

More than ever we will need to consider meeting our pupil's emotional as well as their academic needs. With this in mind we have asked staff to plan and deliver a 'recovery curriculum' for at least the rest of Spring term 1. This will give pupils the time needed to re-engage with learning and focus on their resilience and emotional recovery.





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We very much look forward to welcoming your children back to school. Rest assured that we will ensure there are plenty of staff available on the first day back to give you and your child/children guidance of how to enter/exit school. Staff on the playground at the start and end of the school day will be wearing face coverings.

There is an expectation that all visitors to site will use the marked out designated one way system for entry and exit and will maintain at least two metres space between families. **We ask that only one adult drops and picks up children to minimise the amount of adults we have on site. We also ask that when adults are on the school premises that they wear a face covering.** To keep school and our community safe we need to comply with all government expectations and request your ongoing support with this.

We look forward to welcoming you and your children back to school next week.

Kindest regards

Mrs Maxwell
Head Teacher

