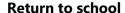
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Dear Parents and Carers,

Following last night's announcement by the Government I am writing to you today to confirm that our school will be reopening to all pupils on Monday 8th March. We are really looking forward to welcoming everyone back and for school to begin to get back to normal. I must thank all parents, carers and teachers for the huge amount of effort that has been put in supporting learning at home. I hope that this will be the final lockdown and that when pupils return to school on Monday 8th March it will be for the long-term. All pupils are expected to return to school and attendance from 8th March is compulsory. The only exception to this are any pupils that have been confirmed as clinically extremely vulnerable. These pupils must continue to shield and stay at home until further notice. If this effects your child please contact school and provide a copy of the shielding letter that you have received.

The day to day running of the school will be very similar to how school was organised before Christmas. We will be continuing with staggered starting and finishing times and the one way system will also remain in place. Towards the beginning of next week I will send out a letter which will detail all the times and how our school will be organised.

As before Christmas, pupils will need to isolate if they have one or more coronavirus symptom, or a member of their household (including someone in their support bubble or child care bubble) has coronavirus symptoms. We ask that all families work with the NHS test and trace and where necessary keep school informed of both positive and negative test results at the earliest possible time. To support keeping everyone safe the vast majority of school staff will continue to be tested using Lateral Flow Devices twice a week. Again like in previous times, a positive test result may mean the closure of a bubble.

Finally, with a little under two weeks until Monday 8th February, remote learning will remain in place, with your child's teacher being your main point of contact. Any changes made to remote learning, such as live lessons, will be communicated to you by your child's teacher.

If you do have any questions please do not hesitate to get in touch. We are really looking forward to seeing everyone on Monday 8th March.

Yours	sincerely

Mr Chandler Headteacher

