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RETURN TO SCHOOL APRIL 2021

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Dear parent or guardian,

We are really looking forward to the full return to school of all pupils from Monday 12 April.

It is incredible to think that it is now over three months since all our pupils were in school together. While the virus continues to circulate in our community, the full return of all pupils obviously brings challenges. If we act together, with a common sense of protecting the wellbeing of everyone in school and our families at home, I am confident that we will be able to make it to the end of term in a safe and orderly way.

The Board of Governors has asked me to specifically remind you of the responsibility on all of us to ensure that in their social lives our children respect whatever regulations are in place, particularly as the regulations start to be relaxed. It is particularly important that pupils in Years 12, 13 and 14 are able to continue in school without interruption so that they can take assessments which will be used to help determine their grades. Doing all we can at an individual level to suppress the spread of the virus in the community and restricting it in school will be very significant.

The arrangements for day to day school life will be almost identical to those before Christmas. Below I have taken the opportunity to remind you of some key aspects:

- If your child feels unwell whether or not it is with a symptom of COVID 19 you should not send them to school.
- Parents and guardians are still welcome to school if they need to see a staff member but all adults should make an appointment before they visit school.
- Face coverings should be worn by all visitors to school.
- It is now a legal requirement for post primary pupils to wear face coverings on school transport.
- Pupils are aware of the entrances which have been designated for their year group and must use them.
- Face coverings should be worn by pupils in all public areas of school and in class. Pupils who are exempt should advise Mr Hooks upon their return to school.
- Pupils must continue to observe the one-way system throughout school.
- Staggered home times for Key stage 3 pupils will remain in place.
- Pupils should wash their hands upon arrival at school and sanitise regularly throughout the day.
- Pupils should exit the school grounds as quickly as possible at the end of the school day.
- If a pupil feels unwell during the school day they should report to the Concourse Office immediately.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact school.

Yours sincerely

Graham GW Montgomery Headmaster