Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that you have enjoyed the summer break and have had the chance to spend some time together as a family. With some good weather and the easing of restrictions, it has certainly felt like we are moving back to what we would consider ‘normal’ once more.

This letter is to provide a final update on our school re-opening to all of our children tomorrow. As you will be aware, as of the 16th August there are no longer any bubbles or isolation periods due to your child or a member of your family being identified as a close contact. We will still have stringent hygiene and safety measures in place to prevent the spread of Covid-19, which is still prevalent in our communities. Children will continue to hand sanitise on entering their classroom and the dining hall, and will be encouraged to ‘Catch it, Bin it, Kill it’ at all times.

If your child starts to display any Covid-19 symptoms they **must not** attend school. They must isolate at home, book a PCR test and continue to isolate until the test results are known. Your child will not be able to return to school until a negative result is shared with the school office. If your child develops symptoms whilst in school they will be sent home and you will be asked to book them a PCR test. Again, they will not be able to return to school until a negative result is shared with the school office.

If the PCR test comes back negative, then they can attend school as normal. If the PCR test is positive, then they must self-isolate for 10 days as per government guidance.

Can I please ask for your continued support with this. Please contact the school office immediately if your child displays symptoms or tests positive.

When we reopen in the morning, timings of the school day will, as expected, return to normal. The timings will be as follows:

Morning  
School gates open at 8.30am Doors open at 8.40am  
Doors close at 8.50am

Please note that children must not be left unsupervised prior to doors opening at 8.40am.

End of the day  
All children will leave school at 3pm to be collected from the playground

Each year group will have a designated space on the yard to be collected from. Please be mindful not to block the area between the gates as it becomes very challenging for children to safely reach their pick-up points.

Thank you for your continued support. Please do not hesitate to contact the school office if you have any questions and we look forward to seeing you all tomorrow!

Yours sincerely,

Mrs R Howarth