

Returning to School after Lockdown 3

We now know that we will be coming back to school the week beginning the 8th March. Some of you will be really excited to get back to school and get back to 'normal', but for some of you this is not going to be easy. You have been off school for such a long period of time and it is okay to feel stressed, anxious, worried and like you do not want to come back to school.

Things are going to be different when we get back next week. The first thing is that we will all be returning to school on different days, this is really important as we want you to feel comfortable when you get back into school and give you the support that you need, it has been a long time since we have seen you all face to face.

You will also have to have a facemask on at all times, initially until Easter, and again, it is really important that you have one with you and have it with you all day. This is one of the main ways of stopping the spread of the virus and it is to keep you and others around you safe.

We also have all of the hand sanitising stations around the school and it is important that you wash your hands and also sanitise your hands every time you leave a classroom and before you eat.

One of the biggest changes and most important things you can do is to be tested for Covid-19 when we return to school. This is an important activity for you to take part in as it will tell us whether you have the virus and can pass it on. It can also help you if you have been in contact with someone in school who has tested positive as we can support you and keep you safe.

For some, the test is not a nice thing to do, but it is a quick and simple activity and staff in school will be there to support you.

If we all follow the rules and help each other then we will be able to meet with another household, following the rule of 6, soon. It will be so nice to see other people again legally and to be able to get some social contact back in our lives with our loved ones.

Please remember that these rules are here to support you and we as a school are here for you. If you need any support from school, then your Head of Year or Mrs Diamond (SENCo) is available, you can email them directly using your school email account or by speaking to them directly over the telephone before you return or face to face upon your return to school.

