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1st March 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

As you will be aware, the Prime Minister has announced that schools will fully reopen from the 8th March. We will continue to work with Public Health and the Local Authority and will follow all the necessary social distancing and hygiene measures across the school and college. We are really looking forward to welcoming the young people back into school and college.

I am aware that some of you will be anxious about sending your children back to school and want to reassure you that as always, our first priority is the safety of learners, parents and staff.

We will:

- Work in class/year group bubbles.
- Wash and sanitise hands regularly.
- Socially distance where possible.
- Continue with the staggering of start/finish times, entrance/exit of the buildings and break/lunchtimes for the bubbles.
- Clean all areas and equipment regularly.
- Staff and learners (where exemptions do not apply) should wear face masks in corridors and other communal areas. Parents/carers should send their child to school with a face mask unless they are exempt. School will have some spare face masks for learners who forget or if the face mask becomes damp.
- Asymptomatic testing of staff twice weekly and this is being offered to the young people who wish to take part in this.
- In classrooms where social distancing isn't possible learners and staff will wear face masks (where exemptions do not apply).

Please can you continue to keep your child at home if they display symptoms/are unwell, inform school if your child or a family member has symptoms, has tested positive for COVID 19 and is required to self-isolate. You should ring the school office to report the absence and your child should not attend school.

We really appreciate your patience and understanding during this time. As you will realise all of this may be subject to change depending on the latest guidance, so please keep an eye out for communications via social media and text. We are all looking forward to welcoming our learners back.

Yours sincerely,

S Allen

Mrs S Allen
Head of School