



## Welcome back!

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for all of your patience, encouragement and the stunning support that you have provided for your children throughout these two full months of lockdown.

I can only guess at the myriad challenges you have faced and are facing and yet each child has a legacy of learning adventures to be proud of as they can at last return to their friends, their teachers and teaching assistants, their classes and all of us who support them in their school.

To make the return a happy and a safe one we have reviewed and updated guidance for you regarding the safe reopening on Monday March 8.

It is attached here along with our revised Risk Assessment. It is **essential** you read both documents carefully and make us aware of any concerns you may have by return.

### The key items you need to be aware of are:

- Changes to start and end times of the day
- **Siblings can be dropped at the same time** – at the youngest child's time & should queue with them. **At the end of the day, the youngest sibling will remain in school until the eldest sibling's class finishes school for the day.**
- One way system in the Tynning to be maintained
- Ventilation is now a key government requirement and so children should wear extra layers under uniform.
- Wet play will always be outdoors – it is **essential** to provide truly waterproof and warm clothing as the season requires.
- Asymptomatic testing of school staff twice weekly is now recommended by the government
- Updates to definition of clinically vulnerable adults and children
- Isolation updates: "Other members of their household (including any siblings and members of their support or childcare bubble if they have one) should self-isolate" (DfE Schools Operational Coronavirus (Covid 19) Guidance Feb 2021). Therefore, any siblings of a child displaying any one of the COVID-19 symptoms will also be sent home.
- isolation time reduced from 14 to 10 days plus other gov restrictions like the list of red countries

We are very much looking forward to seeing you all, bringing back the buzz and the fullness of life to our school. .... and we hope that your school uniform still fits.

Only four sleeps to go!

Looking forward,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Andrew'.

Andrew Wishart  
Headteacher