



Dear Parent/Carer,

Thank you all for your help and support over the long and difficult time this term. You have been incredibly supportive and, through working together, we can make sure that we resume school safely.

**Return to school w.b. 8<sup>th</sup> March – Please read this carefully, points in bold are for your action.**

We are delighted that students will be returning to school and are very keen to ensure their safety and that of all of our community. Crawley has the highest rates of infection in Sussex and are at the levels seen around October half term so we need to take care that infections do not start to rise again.

### Testing (Lateral Flow Tests)

We are required to test each student three times to try to screen for positive cases. It makes sense to have the first test before any lessons start. We can only test students when we have consent from a parent.

**Please fill in the consent form with this letter**

**(Please complete the online form by Monday 1<sup>st</sup> March / or if you were sent a paper copy of the consent form, please complete and return to the school by Monday 1<sup>st</sup> March).**

The more students that are tested the better the chance we have of keeping everyone safe.

We will test the whole school on Monday March 8<sup>th</sup> and again on Friday March 12<sup>th</sup> then again on Wednesday March 17<sup>th</sup>. Progress review day will be rescheduled. There will be no lessons in school on these test days and students will attend **only** for their Lateral Flow Test. Work will be set on Teams for these days.

**A time slot for each year group to attend school for their test will be sent separately for each day.**

From Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> March all students will return to school to their normal timetable apart from the test dates above. All control measures that were in place in the autumn term will continue:

If someone feels unwell do not come to school

Hand sanitizing on arrival and at the start of every lesson

Clean down of the classroom at the start of every lesson

Staggered start times, staggered breaks and staggered lesson changeovers



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Year bubbles with dedicated social spaces  
Separation of year groups in queueing for food at break and lunch

### Face masks

Face masks will be required to be worn in lessons as well as around the building from 8<sup>th</sup> March until the Easter holidays.

**It is essential that students bring a suitable face mask to school every day**

Those who are exempt will be reissued with a card.

I will revise and share the PowerPoint presentations that take you and your children through the safety guidance and expectations for their year group so that you can all refresh your memory.

**Please take a few minutes to go through this with your child or to check that they have seen it and understand it.**

We have come through to this point together, it is important we continue to work together to ensure we return to normality as soon as possible.

Kind regards and best wishes,

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