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Dear Parents,

Monday 8th March

We are delighted to be able to welcome everyone back to school on Monday.

I have received some enquiries asking about any changes to procedures. Parents and can be reassured that we revert to our usual routines from Monday. The school day will be just the same as before lockdown, with the additional safety measures which have become a daily part of our routine since September.

Attendance

From 8 March, **attendance is mandatory** for all pupils, and the usual rules for attendance apply, e.g. sanctions could be issued in the case of non-attendance.

Protective measures

We continue to adhere to strict safety measures to protect us all from the risk of infection and some of our systems have been adapted further in response to new guidance. You can request a copy of our risk assessment from the school office on 01947 896230.

Day to Day Procedures

- The school day begins at 9am and ends at 3.15pm.
- Hot lunches will be available daily.
- Parents and other visitors will not be allowed in school without an appointment.
- Breakfast Club will reopen.
- Increased hygiene measures will continue. Children will be directed to thoroughly wash hands frequently, including on arrival, and to adopt the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach to coughing and sneezing.
- Increased frequency of cleaning tables and learning resources will continue, with children helping to wipe down surfaces where possible.
- Children need to wear their normal school uniform each day, (except on PE days – see below).

- **PE is on Wednesday.** Class teachers will update children if there are any changes. We would prefer children to arrive in 'PE kit' and wear this all day on their allocated PE day. This will reduce the amount of excess bags/clothing in school. For that reason, the PE kit rules have been relaxed so that children can wear comfortable clothing which is appropriate for sports as well as the full day, e.g. tracksuit/leggings rather than shorts, if they wish. Please do not buy additional clothing for this. 'Playing out' clothes are ideal. If PE kits are brought into school for children to change into, they must be taken home at the end of the day as it will not be possible to store bags in school. (Deep cleaning will take place at the end of every day.)

In order to assist us in minimising risk of infection, please ensure your child is only bringing essential items to the school site each day, including:

- Lunch boxes/drink bottles
- Hats and coats
- Books
- Stationery
- School bags

If you have any queries, or would like to speak to someone, please get in touch with the school office on 01947 896230.

Yours sincerely,



Helen Isaac
Executive Headteacher