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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted that school will be able to fully re-open to all pupils from Monday 8th March. It is expected that every pupil will return on this date, and they will remain in their class bubble until we feel confident that it is safe to operate as a year group bubble. The earliest we will move to year group bubbles will be from the beginning of the Summer Term. However, we will review this decision nearer the time, and will update you accordingly.

All pupils will be required to wear school uniform, and so it is worth trying it on as I am sure many children will have grown since we last saw them towards the end of December. Children who are currently in school will need to wear their uniform from Monday 1st March as the weather is much kinder now so not so many layers of clothing will be necessary.

If you have borrowed a school laptop or tablet, it needs to be returned to the main office during the w/c 8th March and you will be able to sign our copy of your contract to acknowledge receipt of its return to school. Please bring along your own pen to be able to do this to reduce the sharing of resources.

As before, we will operate our staggered start and finish times along with the one-way system. Again, we ask that only one adult should come onto our site and that face coverings should be worn. Please see additional attachment to remind you of your child's start and finish times.

We appreciate that your child/ren have been away from school for a considerable length of time, and so the teachers will be planning a number of wellbeing activities when they return.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for supporting your child's home learning so well, and I hope that you've enjoyed many of our lessons and activities over the past months. We have all been delighted when you've shared your work with us and despite the challenges we have faced we have certainly made some long lasting memories.

I look forward to seeing you all on Monday 8th March. In the meantime, keep up the good work, and take care.

Mrs Thursfield

