

Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

## RETURNING TO SCHOOL AFTER EASTER – 20th April 2021

Just before you all have your Easter break I would like to remind and update everyone about expectations once the children return on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> April.

Where we have previously kept the children and staff in class bubbles, we will be moving to year group bubbles. This means that the children in each year group will be able to have their breaks and lunches together and learning groups can be more flexible. Staff and children will be able to move within their own year group bubble and the children will be supported to reconnect with friends in their wider year teams.

Entrances and exits will remain the same (Upper School enter and exit through Tottenhall Road; Lower School enter and exit through Grenoble Gardens). Years 3 and 4 are expected to arrive at school between 8.30 and 8.35am as it is easier and safer to allow children to come in as soon as they arrive rather than restrict to separate times. Year 3 should be collected at 3.15pm and Year 4 should be collected at 3.20pm. Year 5 should arrive at 8.30am and be collected at 3.15pm. Year 6 should arrive at 8.35am and be collected at 3.20pm. Priday. Please continue to wear a mask when you drop off and pick up your child, and maintain your distance from other parents as we seek to protect our staff and school community from further isolation periods and lockdown measures.

When parents/carers are waiting to drop off or collect children please do not stand in the road, sit on neighbours' walls, drop litter or park across drives. Our neighbours have been extremely gracious and accommodating of our need to distance, close roads or slow traffic and use more entrances and exits and we need to be respectful of them.

Breakfast Club and Super Star Sports After School Club at Tottenhall Infant School will continue as normal. Please be mindful of how many people your child is in contact with when deciding which clubs, they attend, if any, outside school. To keep transmission low, it is important that we still limit our contact with others as much as possible.

On return after Easter, we expect all pupils to wear the correct school uniform and footwear. Non-essential shops will be reopening on the 12<sup>th</sup> April so you will be able to purchase everything your child needs. If you are unsure or have any concerns please check the SMAB website or ask a member of staff.

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We will return with all our previous safety measures in place (please read the risk assessment on our website for further details).

If infection rates remain low, we hope to remove bubbles altogether in June after half term, allowing for whole school collective worship and other events to resume. We will follow the local data carefully and use this to inform our decision making. We are committed to ensuring our children have the fullest experience of school during the summer term and, regardless of restrictions, we will find safe ways to celebrate and come together as a community. Where and when possible, we will begin to invite parents back into school for events and make creative use of our local outdoor space to keep everyone safe.

Assuming it is safe we are hoping to be able to have our annual trip to Walton-on-the-Naze. More information will follow after Easter.

Have a Happy Easter and a restful break. Children return to school Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> April.

Kind regards

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