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Dear Parents

Re: School Reopening 8th March

Kingham Primary School is open to all our students again on Monday 8th March, and quite frankly we can't wait! Thank you so much for all your hard work and support over the last few weeks - I feel that we have very much got through this together and ensured that our children have been able to continue their education under the most difficult conditions any school has ever been through.

When we reopen, cleaning procedures will remain enhanced and children will continue to learn and play in 'bubbles' avoiding physical contact with other members of the community as much as possible. There are still many restrictions in place, although over time, I look forward to reducing these. In the meantime, please read the below routines very carefully so that you and your family know exactly how systems will operate here over the next few weeks. Sorry this is so lengthy!

Covid-19 procedures:

- Only one family member may collect and drop children off at school
- Children must not be sent to school if they are showing symptoms of coronavirus or if someone in their household is showing symptoms
- Parents must wear masks when on our school site
- Please arrive on time at the beginning and end of the day and leave the school premises immediately upon drop off and collection following the one way system. Parents with more than one child can drop all children at the same time as your earliest child. The times are the same as before Christmas (see below)
- If you are waiting to collect or drop off, please ensure that all your children stay by your side
- Please send children into school with everything they need e.g. PE Kit, stationery, drink, coat. Parents cannot come back on to the premises once children are in school unless it is essential
- Please do not come to the school office without an appointment
- If you borrowed a school laptop or other device – this must come back to school on Monday with your child - please remember the charger too
- If your child receives a positive result for Covid-19, please let the school know immediately by emailing contact@kingham.oxon.sch.uk
- The government have stated that attendance at school will return to being compulsory from 8th March.

School Day Start and End times:

	Drop off	Collection	<i>*If you have more than 1 child and they have different times, please drop off and pick up at earliest time.</i>
Nursery	9:00am	3pm	<i>plus lunchtime pickup and drop off – advised separately</i>
Reception	8:45am	2:45pm	
Year 1	9:00am	3pm	
Year 2	8:45am	2:45pm	
Year 3	8:45am	2:45pm	
Year 4	9:00am	3pm	
Year 5	9:00am	3pm	
Year 6	8:45am	2:45pm	

Please use the same entrance/exit as before Christmas.

Lunches:

With the restrictions currently in place it is not possible to manage catering for all students. Therefore, we will revert to the procedures used before Christmas where a cooked lunch can be requested by parents of children in Reception, Year 1, Year 2 plus any older students eligible for a free school meal. All other children will need to bring a packed lunch into school. Students in Junior classes will eat in the classrooms.

Equipment:

Please send your child in on Monday with all the equipment they need including any equipment that was borrowed from school such as:

- Whiteboard, pen and whiteboard rubber
- School workbooks and home learning journals/WOW books (infants)
- Reading books
- Pencil cases
- Rulers
- Laptops/iPads
- Waterproofs (Reception class)

We also plan to resume Forest School next week (although sessions will now be reduced in time to allow time for other areas of the curriculum) so all children will need to bring in their Forest School clothing as normal.

The majority of adults working with our children including teachers, support staff, music teachers and even bus drivers are taking optional LFD tests twice a week, which will help to swiftly identify any asymptomatic cases, if we have any among our staff. There is now a process where you and your children can be tested at home using one of these kits. If this is something of interest to you then [please click on this link to order your home testing kits.](#)

I would encourage all children to follow preventative measures at school and at home, including good hand hygiene and maintaining social distance, in order to protect themselves, their families, teachers and the wider community.

This Friday, teachers will need a little time to prepare for Monday and so there may be less live teaching taking place. I am hopeful that we will be able to relax at least some of these restrictions in the near future, and really look forward to supporting you and your children through this period of their education.

Thank you for your support and understanding.

Yours sincerely

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