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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to school. We have loved having all of the children back in school together and are looking forward to life getting back to as normal as it can be in the current climate. I hope you have all enjoyed the end of your home schooling duties!

I just wanted to share some information about our plans for the next few weeks in school.

The school staff will be spending the next few weeks ensuring that the transition back to school is as smooth as possible for the children.

This will include a slightly altered timetable which allows staff the time and space to focus on assessing individual wellbeing and allowing time for friendships and class dynamics to rebuild through an enrichment curriculum each afternoon. There will also be a return of the daily mile and our skip to be fit initiatives to continue to improve our fitness.

In addition to this, staff will administer return to school assessments and use these, along with their assessments from the lock down period, to identify any areas where children may need additional support or the opportunity to revisit previous learning. Additional staffing is now in place at both schools for this.

We also know that our children have missed out on much more than the 'curriculum' in this last year. The new risk assessment arrangements allow after school club provision to commence and therefore we are working on expanding this so the children have a wide range of activities to engage in after school, with further clubs to be introduced after the Easter break. Sadly, as yet, we cannot undertake any off site visits or competitions.

As part of this transition back to school, we have also provided the following survey, should you wish to share your thoughts on reopening. This survey is available until **Monday 15th March 2021**.

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=odXUCFZqVkiel1ufTI-9xtgrNekgAhMkCQwn_i8DkhUMU8xNzIHMTdGVtkwV1dQM1JHRkFROUzSi4u

Please don't hesitate to contact school should you have any further questions or any concerns regarding your child and their return to school.

Kind regards

Sarah Taylor