



Ark Kings Academy Primary
Headteacher: Mrs C. Brasenell

24th February 2021

Dear Parent/ Carer,

I am sure by now you have all heard the Prime Minister's announcement about schools and the decision to have all year groups back in full-time education from Monday 8th March. Attendance will be mandatory unless your child has a shielding letter as clinically extremely vulnerable.

We cannot wait to welcome back all our pupils, but I appreciate that there may be some nervousness for us all as we approach this. I want to assure you that, as ever, the safety and wellbeing of your children, your family and our staff remains our priority.

Many of the measures we put in place in the autumn term will still be in operation when your child returns to school. For example, there will continue to be one-way systems, social distancing at our school gates on and on site, parents and staff wearing face masks on the playgrounds, hand sanitising stations in all areas of school and classes and year groups staying in their own bubbles and not mixing. In addition to these, the government has recommended a number of additional measures, including:

- Face coverings will need to be worn by staff and adult visitors in the early years and primary schools where social distancing between adults is impossible.
- Primary school staff will continue to take two rapid COVID-19 tests each week.

We will now be drawing up more detailed plans for a safe return to school for pupils and staff from March 8th and I will share these plans and what that means for your child as soon as these are finalised.

In the meantime, please do continue to support your child with remote learning or attending our community classrooms.

We look forward to seeing you all back on Monday 8th March 2021.

If you have any questions, please do get in touch with us on 0121 458 5380.

Take care and stay safe.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs C Brasenell
Primary Headteacher.