

Thursday 4th March 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am sure you are all as thrilled as I am that Transform schools will be open to all children from Monday 8th March. I want to welcome every single child back. Schools are just not the same without the excited sound of children, and I know I speak for every Transform staff member when I say we cannot wait to have everyone back. The news is truly welcome and the light at the end of the tunnel seems to be shining a little more brightly. Of course, we have never been totally closed, but I hope we are taking one more step towards the normality we all crave.

I know you appreciate that things will not revert to what we knew as “normal” prior to COVID but we are excited that we will all be back together sooner rather than later. As such, I now ask for your help in making this a smooth return for all our children.

- Attendance for children at school will be **mandatory** from March 8th unless required to isolate.
- Please continue to respect social distancing, outside school as well as within the school grounds. You set the example even before the children arrive in school.
- Anyone returning from abroad must strictly follow the quarantining guidance.
- Please help the school by isolating your children if they, or anyone in your household has symptoms. This remains the key tool in protecting everyone and allowing school to remain open.
- A school will not hesitate to isolate class bubbles if there is a positive case in school.

Please be assured that school staff continue to test themselves twice per week and have made truly extraordinary efforts throughout the last year to ensure we keep schools safe. I am sure you will agree that the systems we had in place prior to the January Lockdown were effective and well established. I could not be prouder of our Transform family. I hope you will join me in fully appreciating what they have done. Maybe you could take the opportunity to thank them directly (at a distance) or to let me know so I can pass on your thanks. This will mean a great deal to them.

Lastly, I want to thank each and every one of you. Whether your children have been at home or at school for being so flexible, understanding and appreciative. Stay safe and well. Remember #togetherweachieve.

Best Wishes

Rebecca Meredith
CEO