

6 January 2021

Dear parents and carers

Pupils Returning to School

It has been great to see so many pupils again this week online but we know this is no substitute for seeing each other face to face. We have made a plan to bring pupils back safely, our testing centre has been set up and staff onsite have been tested. I would like to outline how we will be integrating pupils back into school next week. We hope this will give access to high quality education and wellbeing for everyone at school whilst still doing what we can to slow the spread of the virus.

We have the capacity to test all of our staff and pupils on a weekly basis. In this way, we are much more likely to pick up anybody who is carrying the virus, but not showing any symptoms. It has certainly been a comforting factor for staff to receive negative results this week as I hope it will be for the pupils and you as families. Along with this letter you will find lots of information about the testing process, please take some time to read this through:

1. **Information** about Covid-19 TESTING for staff and pupils - attached
2. Covid-19 Testing **Privacy** Statement - attached
3. **Consent** Form for Covid-19 Test - [please click here](#)

For your convenience we have made the consent form a Google form (link above). This is all you are required to do at this stage. Please consent by **Monday 11 January**. We appreciate there's a lot of information attached and we thank you for your assistance.

Taking the Covid-19 rapid test sample should only take a few minutes and we will see the results within 30 minutes. It's a very slick process. Pupils can self administer the test, but if they need help, trained staff will be on hand to offer support. All staff in the testing centre are Green Room staff who your child knows.

As I have said before if you foresee any difficulties with the testing process or if you would rather your child stay in online school for now, this is perfectly acceptable but please let me know. Lise will make all the necessary arrangements with transport.

Blended School

Please see the tables below which show when your child will be attending school and working from home online over the next 2 weeks. We will notify you and your child of their online 1:1 sessions in due course.

All 5 days of the week will start with a whole school Circle Time starting at 9.45am which is compulsory. This is an opportunity for pupils and staff both in school and at home to go through the day ahead and still meet together regularly which is important at this time.

Week commencing 11 January:

A	B	D
OC	SR	OHA
FS	JSW	JC
KR	KN	AR
EK	TM	CBH
LMI	RK	CH (Usually Group C)
	CS (Usually Group C)	CM
Monday In School	Tuesday In School	Wednesday In School
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 1:1 Academic & Enrichment Lessons Online At Home	Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 1:1 Academic & Enrichment Lessons Online At Home	Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 1:1 Academic & Enrichment Lessons Online At Home
Friday in School	Friday From Home every Friday & Home Visits	Friday From Home every Friday & Home Visits

Week commencing 18 January:

A	D
OC	OHA
FS	JC
KR	AR
EK	CBH
LMI	CM
Monday & Wednesday In School	Monday & Wednesday In School
Tuesday & Thursday At Home Independent Learning	Tuesday & Thursday At Home Independent Learning
Friday in School	Friday From Home every Friday & Home Visits

B	C
SR	CH
JSW	CS
KN	
TM	
RK	
Tuesday & Thursday In School	Tuesday & Thursday In School
Monday & Wednesday At Home Independent Learning	Monday & Wednesday At Home Independent Learning
Friday From Home every Friday & Home Visits	Friday From Home every Friday & Home Visits

Lunches at home: some of you have opted out of lunches being sent home for your child for their 'at home' days therefore we will only send lunches home if you opt in. **Please let us know if you would like your child to receive a packed lunch.**

Careful thought and planning has gone into the logistics of the return to school so we would appreciate your cooperation and open mindedness. Obviously if you have any concerns please contact us.

I hope this finds you safe and well. We look forward to welcoming our pupils back to GRK gradually over the course of next week and thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards



Danielle Haxby
Head of School