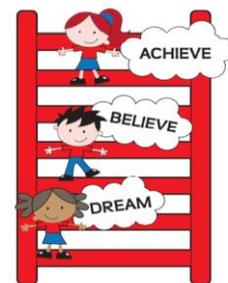


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Re: Reopening of school for EVERYONE

Dear Families,

I am sure you are now aware that primary schools in England will be reopening to **all** pupils. We are getting ready to reopen school on **Monday 8th March** and plan to embrace the new start, refreshed and ready to learn. We can all look forward to catching up with friends, sharing experiences and simply seeing different people once again. The staff are very excited to have **all** the children back and have planned some engaging lessons that will close gaps in learning but also teach new skills too.

Whilst in school, your child/ren will continue to be grouped in year group bubbles in accordance with our risk assessments. Although we hope that the majority of our children will now have an uninterrupted return to school, there is still the possibility that a bubble will need to self – isolate for a period of time. If this becomes the case, we would reactivate our successful Remote Learning programme so that all children can continue with their education. Recent questionnaires completed by families showed that they were overwhelmingly impressed with our offer and appreciative of live lessons, feedback and willingness of staff to go that extra mile and contact families and children when necessary. We also acknowledge some suggestions made by families centred around providing text books to record work as an alternative to using our remote learning platforms; this is something we will consider if the need arises.

It's unbelievable to think that only this time last year we were beginning to hear about the impact of a virus that would change all of our lives. We understand that some of you might be anxious about your child/ren returning to school but we are working tirelessly to ensure our school is as safe as it can be in the current situation and we politely remind you to continue to follow Covid guidance when on the school site. Remember staggered start and finish times are an important part of our plan as well as parents and adults, who come onto site, maintaining social distances at all times. We also ask that parents and adults continue to wear masks when collecting and dropping off their child/ren too.

Finally, we would like to give you a “pat on the back!” We understand the enormous responsibility and challenges that Remote Learning has placed on families but we wanted to say WELL DONE. We'd like to THANK YOU for your support during this most challenging start to 2021. Your understanding, patience and support have been vital and together we have helped our children academically, socially and emotionally.

We look forward to seeing you and your children on **Monday 8th March** and if you have any questions about the full reopening that please don't hesitate to contact us.

Start & finish times

Y3 – 8.45 & 3.10 (Playground gate)
Y4 – 8.55 & 3.20 (Playground gate)
Y5 – 8.45 & 3.10 (side gate as last term)
Y6 - 8.55 & 3.20 (side gate as last term)

Yours sincerely
Team Chaucer