Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s)

I want to thank you for your support and co-operation during a very difficult few months. I know many of you have been juggling work with home schooling. Your flexibility in adapting to what your local school could provide has been very much appreciated.

My thanks again for your amazing efforts.

As you know, the Government has confirmed that pupils in all year groups should return to school on a full-time basis from September. We are now making plans about how this can happen in a way that keeps your child as safe as possible.

Part of their planning will involve keeping children in protective bubbles so that their contact with many other children is minimised. Head teachers will also take measures to maintain social distancing in school wherever possible and we will update you on this before the start of term in September.

There will be a lot of new routines for children to learn when they return to school. They may need to use different entrances and exits and follow a one way system in school; the timing of the school day may be different and their lessons in different rooms from usual; there will be hand washing procedures and different classroom rules. All of these changes are designed to keep your child safe but may be confusing at first.

Because of this, it is likely that we will stagger the return to school and give information about specific travel to school. We will ensure we will allocate time in the first week back, to work with pupils so they can learn and practise the new procedures.

I realise that a staggered return could cause some disruption at a time when you believed that there would be a return to some kind of normality. I wish to assure you that this is only temporary and is in the best interests of your child. I am asking you once again to be tolerant and respectful of the decisions made by us and knowing that safety is at the heart of leaders’ decision-making.

**Arrangements for the first day, Tuesday 8th September 2020**

In order for us to discuss in detail with each pupil, we will be holding a consultation day to go through the school expectations, the most recent guidance and what this means and ensure all personal details are up to date. Further information about this will be sent out in the final week of August prior to pupils returning and will contain all of this information.

We are all looking forward to getting back to as close to ‘normal’ as we can be in September and doing what we do best, face to face teaching. The school will be open over the Summer holidays at various times however if you have any queries or would like to see someone face to face, please contact us via email or phone.

All of our current information about academic work, update letters from our Local Authorities and plans for summer are also available on our website - [www.pivot-group.uk/blog](http://www.pivot-group.uk/blog).

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I thank you for your understanding and I hope you have a good Summer.

Kind regards

Andrew Kitterick

Executive Head Teacher