Aylesford School

and Sixth Form College



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Dear Parents/Carers,

At long last, there appears to be 'light at the end of the tunnel'. We very much look forward to welcoming the children back for a whole-school return on Monday 8th March, when procedures implemented for the children's previous return to school will resume.

Bubbles

Year groups will be educated in 'bubbles'. This reduces the risk of cross-contamination across year groups and will limit the number of staff working within each class. Children will remain in their classrooms for the majority of time spent in school, with the exception of outdoor learning activities, playtimes and PE lessons. Staff will endeavor to teach PE outdoors as much as possible so please ensure that children are sent into school with suitable clothing for all weathers.

Uniform and PE

Children will be expected to wear full school uniform when they return. Weekly PE lessons will take place as normal, however we ask that on your child's allocated PE day they are sent into school in their PE kits. Please ensure that children have navy blue jogging bottoms and a sweatshirt to wear as the weather becomes colder. They will also need suitable footwear for outdoor sports. Please also ensure that children bring in a waterproof coat in order that they can access the outdoor space in all weathers.

Drop off and collection

Please ensure that only 1 adult per household drops off and collects children from school. On entry to the school grounds, please line up with your child/ren on the allocated markers. Arrows marking the one-way system will indicate your direction of travel to exit the school safely.

Please note that, gathering at the school gates and otherwise coming onto the site without an appointment is not permitted.

Please do not enter the school site to queue before your allocated arrival time. It is very important that we continue to limit footfall and avoid congestion at all times.

Lunch

Break times and lunch times will be staggered and AIP will resume their catering duties from Monday 8th. A menu is now available on ParentPay for you to place your orders for the first week back. **The deadline for orders is Wednesday**, **3**rd **March**. Both hot and cold lunches will be available and will be served in the classrooms (with the exception of Unicorn (Reception) Class who will be taken to the hall to eat). Lunches will be served in recyclable packaging which will be disposed of accordingly.

'from potential to reality'

	Arrival Time and Location	Home Time and Location	PE day
Unicorn Class: Year R	8:30 Unicorn gates	3:00 Unicorn gates	Tuesday (Half will attend Forest School in Forest School kit and half will attend in PE kit for PE lesson)
Phoenix Class: Year 1	8:30 Phoenix Class	3:00 Phoenix Class	Tuesday
Pegasus Class: Year 2	8:45 Pegasus Class	3:15 Pegasus Class	Friday
Osprey Class: Year 3	9:00 Osprey Class	3:30 Osprey Class	Wednesday
Giant Class: Year 4	8:45 Double doors at top of playground	3:15 Double doors at top of playground	Wednesday
Eagle Class: Year 5	9:00 Double doors at top of playground	3:30 Double doors at top of playground	Thursday

A comprehensive Risk Assessment for the full return to school can be found on the school website.

Please also visit What parents need to know about early years providers, schools and colleges during COVID-19 - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk) for further information.

Yours sincerely,

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