



23<sup>rd</sup> February 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Following the Prime Minister's announcement to the nation last night, I am absolutely delighted to invite all pupils back into school on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March. As a school we will be reviewing our risk assessment and all the COVID procedures we have in place. Since the pandemic started, we have followed government guidance rigorously and we will continue with these key practices:

- Year group and COIN bubbles
- Staggered start and end to the school day (see attached timetable for timings and drop off points) One-way system in operation
- Staggered play and lunch breaks
- Children bring a full, named water bottle to school
- Parents only on site at drop off and pick up times. Please adhere to signposted year group waiting areas. All younger siblings and those at school need to stand with parents
- Parents wear face coverings on school site
- Staff wear face coverings in all communal areas
- Regular handwashing embedded throughout the school day

When children return to school, they will need to wear a full school uniform and have their school bag. Uniform can play a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of a school and setting an appropriate tone. Key Stage 2 will continue to come to school in their school PE Kit on a Friday and the COIN pupils on a Wednesday.

Attendance at school is compulsory and we will endeavour to make sure the children feel safe and secure within the school environment. The Education Welfare Officer will be working closely with the school to ensure attendance is high and offer support to identified families.

Primary school staff will continue to take two rapid coronavirus (COVID-19) tests each week at home to identify positive cases more quickly and break the chains of transmission. Primary age pupils will not be tested.

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Wraparound childcare for primary pupils will resume where this provision is necessary to support parents to work. Our plan is to start running breakfast club and Gap club from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March.

Quote from The Gap Club

*The countdown has started, and the news is finally in, schools reopen on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021! We can't wait to see everyone again and finally get back to do what we do best - playing and having fun!*

*The impact the last 12 months has had on children's ability to play and socialise has been talked about in many places over the last few months and is a key target of the government for the recovery from the pandemic.*

*To do our part we have decided to launch our very own '**stay and play session**' in addition to our current session options. The new session will be until 4.15pm with a cost of just £5.00 per session. The aim is to '**bridge the gap**' that little bit more by giving parents the chance to have an extra hour working from home or some much needed time to make your own plans.*

*We will provide the children with lots of play, fun and learning activities giving you the peace of mind that they are happy and safe. To register and book just visit [www.thegapclub.com](http://www.thegapclub.com), click on venues and select your school.*

Over the next couple of weeks please spend time talking to your children about their return to full time school. It is essential that we talk about all the positive elements of being at school and discuss any concerns they have. Often once an anxiety is explored it goes away. Please email [Head@pyrcroftgrange.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:Head@pyrcroftgrange.surrey.sch.uk) if you would like to discuss any individual concerns further.

Our dedicated teaching team and teaching assistants have worked tirelessly to produce high quality remote learning. **This will continue each day until and including the 5<sup>th</sup> March.** Please ensure your children continue to participate in learning as this will support a smooth transition back into school.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank all members of the school community (pupils, parents, staff, governors and the Bourne Education Trust) for the key role they have played during this challenging lockdown. At the centre of all our decisions is the education and well-being of our amazing pupils and I know all staff will be looking forward to hearing giggling in the classrooms, children sharing their ideas and experience the buzz of learning in school again.

Take care

Sue Nardoni  
Head teacher