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WELCOME BACK
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WELCOME BACK, PUPILS OF THE HART!!!

Dear Parents,

As you will have heard through the media, P4-P7 pupils can all come back to full time school on **Monday 22 March 2021**. Arrangements will be exactly the same as for term 1:

- Use your **allocated family drop-off time**: 8.25am, 8.40am and 8.55am. Please try your best to be punctual. Children go to their assigned lines to sanitise their hands before going into school. Parents of P4-P7 pupils, please say goodbye to your child outside the school gate. Only Nursery and P1-P3 parents should be accompanying their children in the school grounds. The Board of Governors has requested that all parents wear face masks when in the school grounds.
- Children wear their **full school uniform** – black leggings/bottoms, yellow polo shirt, school sweatshirt and black trainers. Please make sure they have a shower-proof coat with them as all PE will be outside and we will be making as much use as possible of the outdoor classroom. Children should bring their book bag only (no bulky backpack school bags) and no other items – including toys – from home.
- **School dinners** are available by going onto School Money to book them. Remember, even if your child is entitled to free school meals, you still need to do this so the teacher knows who is taking a school dinner each day.
- **Pick-up is at your allocated time** (1.30pm, 1.45pm, 2pm) for P1, P2 and P3 (Thurs & Fri); 2.30pm, 2.45pm or 3pm for P3 on Mon, Tues, Wed and for P4-P7 every day. Again, please be punctual and do not linger in the school grounds. If P4-7 parents are meeting your child after school, please arrange to do this outside the school grounds.

For next week, there will be no Early Birds or Young Harts as the Department of Education's restart letter has said that pre- and after school activities are currently on hold. We will review the situation for the new term after the Easter holidays. If you have forgotten your drop-off or pick-up time, please contact your child's teacher by Seesaw for a reminder.

We are delighted to have the whole school back on Monday for the first time in three months. We want to *keep* everyone in school and get back to some sort of normality and routine for our pupils. The more vigilant we all are in **adhering to covid protocols**, the more likely this is to happen. If a pupil or member of staff contracts covid, we have to follow DENI and PHA direction for all those who have been in contact with the person to self-isolate for 10 days. This has a major impact on all those in that person's bubble. As you know, we currently have three classes self-isolating. By every one of us following protocols, we greatly reduce the risk of any further return to home learning for individual classes.

Stay safe, everyone, and see you next week!! J

J Shipley
Principal