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Dear Parent/Carer

Full reopening of the Academy tomorrow

I hope this short letter finds you well as we look to return in full tomorrow.

The time has arrived and we are more than ready after two successful training days. The building looks impeccable and is fully Covid-compliant and our one way system has seen fruitful use today as Years 7 and 12 have attended for their respective inductions and the sanitiser stations are full. It was so great to see them all!

There are a few enquiries that we have received in the past couple of days which I wish to clear up. As previously stated, we will be operating a bubble system and we do have a one way system in place around the whole building which will be enforced. We also have an enhanced cleaning schedule so that all high frequency touch points will be cleaned very regularly throughout the Academy day.

Please be good enough to familiarise yourselves with the guidance I sent out at the end of last week before your child attends. It is also attached here for completeness. I would also recommend a visit to our website to take a look at our risk assessment under the **Parents** tab, **Covid-19 risk assessment**.

All of our cloakrooms will remain closed for the foreseeable future. This is to ensure that no contamination of any kind can occur if belongings are left in situ in a semi-public area.

In addition, please ensure that your child attends school with the correct equipment for lessons, including pens, pencils, a calculator, their own glue stick and a pencil case. Whilst this is not an exhaustive list, the Academy will not be able to provide equipment.

Finally, we are aware of some issue with our main uniform supplier. Please be assured that we will deal sensitively with any youngsters who are not wearing the correct uniform due to issues beyond their control.

As the first day of term comes around let me take the opportunity to thank you for your continued support as we navigate strange waters. We will do our level best to return to a new normal and to ensure that our youngsters get the best deal possible given the current pandemic.

I am always nervously excited at the beginning of the autumn term. Our Academy has been too quiet for too long. It is time to change that and bring some much-needed positivity back.

Don't forget that we are in this together, as Martin Luther King Jr said, "We may have all come on different ships, but we're in the same boat now".

If in doubt, drop us a line.

Yours faithfully



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