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Dear Parents & Carers

Following the confirmation by the Prime Minister on Monday night, we are absolutely delighted to welcome all students back to school from March 8<sup>th</sup>. The school has been open to a number of students throughout Lockdown 3. During this time, we have continued to simplify and improve the effectiveness of our Covid-secure routines and we are confident that it remains a safe and productive environment.

At this stage, the school has not been given any specific detailed information to share in addition to the public announcement. As soon as guidance from the Department for Education is shared with us, we will be able to provide more details, what I can confirm is, that it is our intention to deliver a gradual phased return.

To help make the transition from home learning back to onsite provision be as successful as possible, I want to share our priorities for this term.

Priority 1: Excellent Attendance

Priority 2: Re-establishing Routines for learning

Priority 3: Consolidating knowledge

Please support your child/children to actively participate in all lessons and activities leading up to their return to school. If you or your child have any concerns I urge you to contact the school to see how we can help you. You can contact us via [office@roundhill.bepschools.org](mailto:office@roundhill.bepschools.org)

**What is our advice for exam students in year 11?**

You should focus on completing your course.

You should aim for 100% attendance for the remainder of your academic year.

**What will happen between now and Easter?**

There will be new and evolving procedures as part of the school day. As things change or where additional specific details are required we will share them with you.

Key things you should know for the rest of this term up until the Easter break:

- The school day will run from 8.35am – 3.05pm with the same staggered start and finish times for year groups as in the autumn term
- The lesson format and week1/week2 timetable will remain in place as in the autumn term
- All students and staff will be offered a Lateral Flow Test for Covid-19 (please note that it is at the discretion of parents as to whether they consent for students to complete tests)
- Students should continue to bring a face covering to school each day
- Wherever possible break times will be spent in the fresh air
- Students will be required to bring their own food to eat during the breaks, students who are entitled to free school meals will be catered for in school.

We will continue to communicate our plans with you as we have more details and will also let you know the arrangements for after Easter.

In the meantime if you have any concerns or queries please do get in touch.

Kind regards

Tim Marston  
Headteacher