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Dear Parents

I trust you and your families are all keeping well. I want to thank all of you who have engaged with your child's Remote Learning over the past number of weeks. I appreciate that it has been a difficult time for everyone. I would encourage you all to keep going with this important work as this will really benefit your child in the longer term.

I am pleased to inform you that the Minister of Education has written to schools on 24 February to inform us that P1 to P3 pupils will return to face to face teaching on Monday 8 March 2021 for two weeks until Friday 19 March. This unfortunately does not include any children in other primary school years. However, these classes (P1-3) will then return to remote learning on Monday 22 March until Friday 26 March 2021 when the Easter holidays will commence for all pupils. We still have no date for the return to school for P4-7 pupils. Once we are informed we will be in touch with you all.

In the meantime, the school will continue to provide supervision for vulnerable pupils and those of keyworkers until such times that a full return to school is instructed by the Minister.

School will be open normal school hours opening at 8.45am and closing at 2pm (for P1-3) and 3pm (for P4-7). If a parent requires supervision between 2 and 3pm they can register for the 123 club in the normal way (123 Club Form available on the school website). Please note that school will close early (for keyworker & vulnerable children in attendance) on Friday 26 March P1-3 11.45am and P4-7 12 noon. School will be closed for the Easter holidays 29 March to 9 April and will re-open Monday 12 April.

There will be no school dinners or healthy snacks until further notice. Parents of children entitled to Free School Meals will receive a direct payment until the meals service is reinstated.

The keyworkers form will continue to be issued to all families until we are notified that school will open to all year groups.

If you have any further issues, please give the office a ring and speak to a member of staff.

In the meantime, take care of yourselves and thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards

K. White