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**The Telford  
Park School**

ENSURING EXCELLENCE

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Further to my email and the Prime Minister's announcement yesterday I can confirm that the government has now set out its plan for the reopening of schools to all pupils.

All pupils will return to face-to-face education from **8<sup>th</sup> March onwards**. During the week beginning 8<sup>th</sup> March there will be a phased return to school due to the need for asymptomatic testing to take place for all pupils who have consented. Each pupil who has consented will be required to have three COVID-19 tests in school during their first 5 days. If you have not consented for your child to be tested you can still do so by clicking on this [link](#).

More information will follow in due course regarding the specific start dates and times for pupils.

After the initial programme of three tests in school, pupils will be provided with two rapid tests to use at home each week. Again, more information to follow on this.

A further change to the government guidance is that face masks will be compulsory in all areas of secondary schools therefore pupils are required to wear face coverings in all communal areas and classrooms. Face coverings are not required outdoors or during PE lessons. For those pupils who are exempt from wearing a face covering they will need to always wear their exemption lanyard.

If your child is extremely clinically vulnerable and has been asked to shield, they are not required to attend school whilst shielding advice applies nationally. If your child is extremely clinically vulnerable, please could you provide school with a copy of their shielding letter by emailing it to [info@telfordparkschool.co.uk](mailto:info@telfordparkschool.co.uk) including your child's name in the title of the email. Pupils who are shielding will be educated remotely and we will work with individual families to facilitate this.

We will spend time over the next week updating our risk assessment and advice document and will share this with you as soon as possible.

Our remote learning offer remains in place and it is important that pupils continue to access all online lessons whilst learning from home.

We are very excited to welcome all our pupils back to school very soon.

Kind regards,

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