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Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2021

**Re: Reopening of Stockingford Academy from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021**

Dear Parents,

Following the Prime Minister's announcement yesterday, that all schools should reopen starting from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March, we are pleased to announce that Stockingford Academy will be welcoming back children.

Thank you for your patience whilst we have been developing our plans to reopen our schools over the last 24 hours. We have spent this time reading the DfE's updated guidance and reviewing our detailed risk assessments to ensure they are workable. In the forefront of our minds, we have kept that we want our schools to be safe, welcoming and caring spaces for all our children.

I'm delighted to announce that we are now in a position to **reopen Stockingford Academy in full, to all children on March 8<sup>th</sup>.**

On the first day back we are anticipating that parents and children might have questions or queries. To make sure staff can speak with people and also so that children can be gently welcomed back into their classrooms we will extend our staggered start and end times for **one day only**. So that families with children in different year groups don't need to come up and down to school several times, we have organised the staggered start and end to the day by the initial of your family name.

**On Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March ONLY**

<b>If your surname / family name starts with .....</b>	<b>Start time</b>	<b>Finish time</b>
A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I	8.45am	2.45pm
J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q	9am	3pm
R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z	9.15am	3.15pm

From **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> March onwards**, the start and end times to the day will return to the arrangements before Christmas. These are set out below.

<b>Year groups</b>	<b>Start time</b>	<b>Finish time</b>
6, 3 and 1	8.45am	3pm
5, 4, 2 and Reception	9am	3.15pm

**All children should be back in school, as school attendance will be statutory from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March, unless they have to shield.**

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### Using the school site safely

It is vitally important that you do not arrive at school much earlier than the given time and that all adults leave site promptly after drop off.

Only one adult from each family should come onto the school site and all adults **MUST** wear a face covering unless they are medically exempt.

Please take care to maintain social distancing from other people on site and keep your children close by you until they are taken into school by staff members.

Please can you only use the school office if it is urgent and you can't have your query answered by phoning the usual school telephone number. If you need to collect your child from school because they are unwell, you should come onto the school site in these circumstances.

### Breakfast and After school club

From Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March, our wraparound provision will revert back to its usual times with the after school club finishing at 5pm. If you need this service, please contact the school office.

### **And finally....**

We are so excited about our children returning to school! We understand you may feel anxious about this during the first few days but want to reassure you that all the staff teams will do their utmost to look after your children. We will write to you by the middle of next week explaining your child's return in more detail.

Take care,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rob Darling".

Rob Darling  
**Head of Education, Primary**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gill Bowser".

Gill Bowser  
**Headteacher**

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### Reopening Reminders

Please can you talk through the following with your child, in advance of their potential return to school to help this to be as safe and smooth transition as possible:

- **Hand-washing** - At school, children will be washing their hands frequently and thoroughly with running water and soap.
- **Social distancing on the school site** - Everyone on the school site will be very conscious about social distancing wherever possible - within classrooms, other rooms and buildings, corridors and outside. We will be putting up posters, marking the floor areas with tape and stickers and other visual reminders of this.
- **Equipment** - We'll be making sure that children don't share equipment with each other - including pencils, pens, books etc.
- **Playtimes/breaks** - It will be a change for children to not be playing in close contact with each other. We will talk to the children about this and ways to have creative playtimes/breaks that keep social distance. Children will have staggered lunches to support social distancing and help them keep to their bubbles.
- **Lunches** - schools will make sure children are socially distanced at lunch times by children staying in their bubble groups. Equipment for lunchtime will be carefully cleaned and children must not mix cutlery, or share/swap food.
- **Following instructions from school staff** - In order for everyone to stay safe, it is essential that all children carefully follow instructions from school staff on everything mentioned above and the way that our school will operate for the rest of this half term. We will also talk them through new routines and expectations when they return to school.

### School Uniform

We would ask that all children to wear their school uniform as they did during the autumn term. They may bring in an additional jumper/ sweater to keep themselves warm as one of the measures we will still have in place is keeping the classroom windows open to ensure that all areas of school are well ventilated. Although we still intend to take the children outside for physical activity, we will not be getting children changed for PE, to minimise movement in the classroom. Instead, we ask that children come to school in trainers so that they have appropriate footwear for outdoor activities.