



Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2021

Dear Parents and Carers of **Primary children**,

You are all aware that the expectation is that schools will open from Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March to all children and we are very much looking forward to welcoming your child back.

### **Actions we have taken to ensure a safe return to school**

We have reviewed our risk assessments in light of the new guidance, the key actions we have taken are:

- We have ensured that all hand sanitisers remain functioning and have been refilled to ensure we can re-establish good routines for hand hygiene
- We have worked with our cleaning contractor, Ridgecrest to ensure that our enhanced cleaning of the whole school will begin again on the 8<sup>th</sup> March
- We have reviewed the school site to ensure all signage supporting safe practices, such as one-way movement around the site, remains in place, clear and visible to all staff and pupils
- We have reviewed our map of the site to check that we have provided adequate guidance for staff so that they know how to ensure good ventilation of every room in the school
- We have contacted all staff and pupils who are clinically extremely vulnerable to ensure they continue to shield until Easter

We will be writing to you again next week, shortly before we all begin to return to site, to remind you of the procedures we all need to follow to ensure no-one with symptoms of the virus attends our site and to remind you of the actions we will take if someone develops symptoms whilst they are on site.

### **Face Masks and Testing**

Whilst our secondary students will be expected to wear masks and be tested, this is not a requirement for our primary aged children. We would ask, however, that all parents wear masks whilst on the school site during drop off and pick up times.

### **Beginning and End of Day Arrangements**

Arrangements for the beginning and end of day (including timings and gate allocation) will be returning to the timings and arrangements that were used during the autumn term. Your child's start and finish time and allocated gate will be sent to you individually.



### Finally

I know many of you are looking forward to returning to something closer to normality and we are certainly looking forward to seeing more staff and students on site. In the meantime, thank you so much for all you have done to ensure that your child has remained engaged with our remote provision, we feel very proud of the provision we have offered and of the way students have responded to this. Ofsted were impressed with our provision and I will share details of our inspection with you once the report is published.

Your feedback on the details I have shared in this letter is important to us, please provide any comments by emailing [office@samworth.tgacademy.org.uk](mailto:office@samworth.tgacademy.org.uk) and we will collate your feedback and adjust our planning where we feel this is necessary. Most of all, please talk to us if you have unanswered questions or concerns and we will prioritise answering these queries, your first port of call is always your child's class teacher.

Thank you so much for your continued positive messages of thanks and support,

Yours faithfully,

Mrs S Roach  
Executive Principal