



Alsager Highfields Community Primary School

Mighty oaks from small acorns grow

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RE: Return to School – Spring Term 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year! I hope that you have had a wonderful time over the holiday period and managed to see some family and loved ones, whilst also remaining safe.

We are looking forward to seeing the children back at school on **Monday the 4th of January** and hope that 2021 will eventually enable us to return to some sort of normality. Before then however, we continue to read and follow the guidance set out by the DfE and Local Authority, and as we continually adapt to this ever-changing situation, we need to work together to ensure that everyone remains safe and school and classes Covid free.

As we now enter into Tier 4 restrictions we would like to reiterate:

- **follow the routes in and around school and maintain social distancing at all times**
- **one parent/carer to drop off/pick up**
- **walking or cycling to school where possible**
- **face coverings worn (unless exempt)**
- **contact school via telephone or email**
- **adhere to the drop off and collection times for your child's class**
- **discourage children from using the park at the beginning and end of the school day.**

Please email admin@alsagerhighfields.cheshire.sch.uk if your child is **not** coming into school on **Monday 4th January** for any of the following reasons:

- There has been a positive case in the family and everyone has to self-isolate.
- Your child has developed symptoms of Covid 19.
- Your child or a household member is awaiting a test result.
- Your family has been contacted by NHS Track and Trace and been advised to self-isolate.

We understand that with the escalation of cases and the numerous debates on whether schools should return as planned this term, some families will be anxious. We would like to reassure you that we (the Senior Leadership Team and Board of Governors) are confident that we can continue to open safely to all year groups, and minimise the risk of infection through the procedures we have in place. We have updated our risk assessment in line with the latest guidance and do believe that the best place for children is in school. If you do have concerns about your child/ren returning to school, we would ask that you contact us so that we can work together to find a resolution.

Yours sincerely

Mr Leech