



2 July 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

Re: Covid-19 Update – Return to school in September

I hope you are keeping safe and well.

Today after days of speculation, the government has officially announced that schools will re-open fully to all year groups at the start of term in September.

“We have already seen more than 1.5 million children and young people return, but we must make sure all pupils can go back to school in September, giving them the opportunity to thrive and fulfil their potential.”

Gavin Williamson – Education Secretary

Even though as it stands we will be back in September with a full school, a range of Covid-19 secure measures will still be in place to keep students and staff as safe as possible. As always, this will depend on the detailed government guidance combined with our individual situation at St Martin's. As September is a few months away, I am sure there will be much speculation in the press as to whether it goes ahead and what final measures we need to put in place. However, it is important that you prepare for your children to return to school on Wednesday 2 September 2020.

The situation that has unfolded very quickly in Leicester this week proves this is likely to be a very fluid and potentially fast changing situation. I will contact you again once we have carefully considered the guidance and decided upon the arrangements for our return.

I would like to thank you all again for your hard work, home schooling and supporting the school through this most challenging of times.

Take care and stay safe.

King regards

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Headteacher

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