

# Welcome Back!

Dear Parents and Carers

The day has finally come!

Although we have had a number of children in school, for the vast majority of you, home schooling and remote learning have finally come to an end. We have all learned a lot from each other and, on behalf of everyone at school, I would like to thank you for your hard work, patience and support, not only over the past six weeks but since the first lockdown. We know how challenging it has been and we salute you!

We are now really looking forward to having everyone back in school. Our focus will be on your children spending time with their friends, both inside and outside, and getting back into learning with their teachers, teaching assistants and school staff. We will be supporting children to organise their own equipment and resources, remembering to hang up their own coats and our youngest children will have the added excitement of eating lunch in the school hall. There will be a lot of changes for the children to adjust to, whether they have been in school or not, but we are certain that they will cope with this well and rapidly feel as if they have never been away.

We have assessments planned but these will be low key and relaxed, with all classes planning time for the children to work with each other and share their learning since January.

I think that we can all predict that there will be mixed emotions for some of them, and for some of you. They will be pleased to see their friends, sorry to say goodbye to you and tired at the end of their first full day. Remember to contact your child's teacher via Class Dojo with any concerns as when these are raised quickly, we can address them.

The reopening of schools is the first step in life opening up again. These three weeks up to Easter will allow us all to start that process so that, hopefully, by then, we will be able to make the most of the spring.

With every good wish to you, your families and friends,

Sarah Beveridge

