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Dear Parent/Carer

I hope that this letter finds you well and that you are, like me, feeling somewhat more optimistic about the coming months after what has been a very long and difficult year.

We are very much looking forward to welcoming all our students back to school in the next few weeks and being able to resume a more normal way of working. That is not to say that we do not still have significant challenges ahead of us - the infection rate in Bolton remains among the highest in the country and we all have a responsibility in helping to reduce this through our ongoing compliance with restrictions on household mixing, social distancing and hand hygiene.

Students will return in a phased way beginning Monday 8th March. If you have not yet returned your testing consent response form then please do so here: <https://forms.gle/H4CMJUBScHnmXcXq8>

The return schedule is outlined below and there is more information in the attached return to school document.

Students who are being tested will return at their test return date - those not being tested will join their year group the following day for the first full day of lessons.

	<i>Date of First Test</i>	<i>First day for students not being tested</i>
Year 11	Monday 8th March	Tuesday 9th March
Year 10	Tuesday 9th March	Wednesday 10th March
Year 9	Tuesday 9th March	Wednesday 10th March
Year 8	Wednesday 10th March	Thursday 11th March
Year 7	Wednesday 10th March	Thursday 11th March
Sixth Form	Thursday 11th March	Friday 12th March

For their first test, we will communicate with you next week the time that they should arrive in school. All students will then remain in school until the end of the day.

Key Worker and vulnerable students who have been in school throughout lockdown should continue to attend to as normal.



The second and third test for students will be done in the ten days following their first test during the school day.

We will advise you on home testing once we have received more information. This will begin from the 22nd March 2021.

Please do take the time to read the information that is attached to this letter which includes details on when students return to school together with our continued behaviour expectations.

May I take this opportunity to thank you for all your support over recent months, it has been greatly appreciated.

Yours faithfully

Mrs A O'Callaghan
Headteacher

