



# Highfields Academy

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Dear Parents, Carers and Pupils,

Good morning everyone. I hope that you've all had a good break over half term.

I'm sure that you have already heard the announcement from the Prime Minister last night. Great News!! We are now on countdown to welcoming you all back to school very soon. Only 9 more days (including today) of remote learning to go and then on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March we can open our doors again to you all. We are really excited about this and can't wait to have you all back in school.

I think it's safe to say that school will not be back to normal on that date. There will still be many measures that we have to put in place to ensure that you are all as safe as possible. My job for today is to review the latest guidance that the Government have released today and to update our risk assessment. This will be shared with you before the end of this week and on Monday morning next week I will hold a Zoom meeting for all children and parents to go through what school will look like when you return. I'll send the code for this later in the week.

For the rest of this term we are only going to operate our before/after school club (Kidspace) on a 'use only if you really have no alternative' basis. We do want to keep the numbers as low as possible for the next few weeks but hopefully after Easter we will be in a position to review this. If you will need before or after school provision once we fully open then please email Mrs Barlow at [kidspace@highfieldsnantwich.cheshire.sch.uk](mailto:kidspace@highfieldsnantwich.cheshire.sch.uk) to book your sessions.

It definitely feels today like there is light at the end of the tunnel and that this is not too far away.

I will write to you again by the end of this week with much more detail about returning to school. In the meantime, have a great week; keep up your hard work with the remote learning and we'll see you very soon.

Yours sincerely,

Simon Dyson  
Principal

