

24th February 2021



Dear families,

Reopening of School – Initial Plans

I'm sure that everyone will have heard the headlines from the Prime Minister's announcement on Monday evening and the plan for the gradual loosening of restrictions across society. It's really great news that the first part of this is the reopening of all schools and we cannot wait to welcome students back to Ebor Academy Filey from Monday 8th March.

These back-to-school arrangements include the opportunity for all staff and students to be tested before they return to full time schooling. We are busy planning for what will be a large undertaking. **Our aim is to get all of our students back to school as quickly and as safely as possible.** Next week, once we know more and have finalised our plans, we will share it with families. More detailed information will follow but our initial plans are as follows:

- i. All students to be offered the first of their three Covid tests on Monday 8 March 2021. Their remaining two tests will be given within 10 days of this initial test.
- ii. All students who have tested negative after this first test will return to school full time on Tuesday 9 March 2021.
- iii. Remote learning and live lessons will continue this week as planned. It is likely that live lessons will need to stop after Thursday 4 March to allow for the necessary changes to our ICT system be made on Friday 5 March.
- iv. On Tuesday 9 March 2021, all students will be given time with their tutor group as part of their welcome back to school. This time will include reminders regarding the systems in place to keep everyone safe.

In the meantime I hope that the first few days of the new half term went well. As ever, please do not hesitate to contact school if you need any further support.

Yours sincerely



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Headteacher

