

The Compass Partnership of Schools

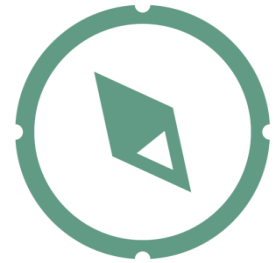
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Dear parents and carers,

We are looking forward to welcoming all children back to school on Monday 8th March and we hope that this will be the start of a more 'normal' period for us all.

Whilst we will still be operating under strict COVID-19 controls we are looking forward to a degree of normality gradually returning. With infection rates falling fast in Greenwich and school staff now able to test themselves twice a week, we will no longer close slightly early on one day a week for PPA.

Another change that children will notice is that, in line with new government guidance, adults will be wearing face coverings in central areas, corridors and spaces in school where social distancing is harder to maintain; children are not expected to wear face coverings. Please see the FAQs on the school websites for further information about the measures that will continue to be in place.

We are really looking forward to everyone being back in school so that children can engage with learning in their classes and enjoy seeing friends as well as connecting with each other. Before and after school clubs will resume as usual. We are also encouraging all children in Key Stage 1 and Reception to 'have a go' at taking a hot school meal for the month of March. School meals are free for all children up to end of Key Stage 1 as these are funded by the government. Please encourage your child to 'have a go' this March so that they benefit from a warm, nutritious meal in the middle of the day.

I would like to thank you all for the support you have shown our schools over the past year. Challenging times reveal the strengths in us all and our school communities have been remarkable throughout.

Lastly, I would like to thank the school teams; staff, governors, trustees and children, for supporting each other to adapt and respond to the ever-changing context and for keeping smiling throughout – our schools have been wonderful places to be a part of.

Very best wishes to you all.

John Camp
Trust leader