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Dear Families,

I have lost count of the number of times I have written to you emphasising what an extraordinary term it has been, but here we are once again! As ever, I am so proud of all our students - in the resilience they have shown and the dedication demonstrated towards their learning. I fully appreciate that five hours of remote learning each day is incredibly challenging, not only for the students but for the whole family and I would like to thank you for the support you have provided your son / daughter, this really has been a collective effort! I would also like to thank the amazing efforts of my staff; their efforts to provide the very best remote education; the support offered through the on-site learning; the 1000's of phone calls made during the term; home visits to students; mentoring and check-in sessions - I really couldn't ask to lead a more committed group of staff.

As you may be aware, the Prime Minister has indicated that it is his intention to start reopening schools from the 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021. He is due to give a further announcement on the 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2021 where he will provide more specific details as to what this will entail. Therefore, after half-term all students will continue to follow their remote learning timetable through Google Classroom. I will of course write to you with the schools plans for a wider reopening once these details are made available.

**Onsite Provision (From Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2021)**

We will continue to operate our on-site provision for children of key workers and all other eligible students. Our onsite provision will continue to be fully supervised in a computer room, with all students following the remote learning timetable for their respective year group. <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-maintaining-educational-provision/guidance-for-schools-colleges-and-local-authorities-on-maintaining-educational-provision>

**If your son has been using the on-site provision we do not require you to sign up again.** Please email [admin@LNS.org.uk](mailto:admin@LNS.org.uk) if your situation has changed, your son is eligible and you now need to book a place.

## **Winter Grant Scheme**

All parents of pupils eligible for Free School Meals will receive a payment of £20 for the half-term week. The payments are in the form of Tesco vouchers and will be sent to parental email addresses. Please email [admin@LNS.org.uk](mailto:admin@LNS.org.uk) if you have any queries about the voucher system. We will be reverting back to Edenred vouchers after the half term break.

## **Covid 19 - Arrangements for Positive cases during the February Half-Term Holiday**

As part of our continuing support for families during the February half-term break, we will be monitoring our school email should families wish to report an instance of a positive case over the first part of the week. This is of particular importance for those students that have been using our on-site school provision. If your son provides a positive test **between the 12<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> February 2021** please email the school at "**admin@LNS.org.uk**" and provide details of your son's name and registration group and the last day they were in school.

**Please DO NOT telephone the school as the phones will not be monitored.**

This information is of paramount importance as it will allow the school to advise other students who MAY have come into contact with a positive case before the end of the school term so they can isolate and help stop the spread of the virus.

## **Parent Survey**

As ever, we are always looking to improve the educational experience offered to students here at LNS. Therefore, can I ask that you complete the questionnaire [here](#). As always your feedback is so important to us and will help us improve as a school.

Finally, it was great to see some of the amazing activities and work completed during our 'Screen Free' day last Friday. Thank you to everyone that managed to share these experiences. Please make sure you all enjoy a well-deserved half-term break and we look forward to welcoming all students back online on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2021.

Yours faithfully,



**Mr M Schofield**

Headteacher