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## Welcome Back

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

Welcome back to this very different Autumn term – it so lovely to see and hear all the children back in the Academy.

Thanks to you all for the smooth drop off and pick times which really helps us to make sure the year group bubbles of children do not mix, as per the guidance. Once this week is over we will review these and see if we need to make any changes. Unfortunately at this moment in time we are unable to personalise these times as we must concentrate on embedding these safety rules for everyone in the Academy.

A lot of our communication will be via our social media platforms – twitter, facebook and links to the website. During lockdown we used Clasdojo and Tapestry for our home learning platform and we intend to continue to use these during this year for all homework and messaging so please make sure you join/sign up to these so we can make our communications easier.

There will be no swimming for year 4 currently but we will be starting PE from next week and your child's classteacher will let you know the day. Due to this current situation, on the day of PE we ask that your child/ren come in their PE kits and stay in them all day to avoid having to get changed - long dark coloured jogging bottoms/leggings, white t-shirt, school sweatshirt and trainers.

### Staffing Updates

We are pleased to be welcoming back Mrs Boulton and Mrs Golombeck from their maternity leave, Mr Wilkins is back as a Year 3 teacher. Mr Roper is joining us in Year 3 alongside Mr Beaumont/Ms Woods in 3BW. We are also excited to tell you that Mrs McGeorge is expecting her first baby and will be going on maternity leave at the end of this term.

### Leadership Update

It was with sadness that we said goodbye to Mr Simpson who did so much for the Academy over the last two years. Mr Simpson has moved onto another senior role within the Oasis family of schools in Kent.

We are pleased to welcome Mr Motahir Khan who be joining the Academy for this academic year to provide additional leadership support, working together with myself and the leadership team. Mr Khan brings considerable experience to the Academy having previously held senior leadership positions in other Oasis Academies in the north west, most recently at Oasis Academy Aspinall and Oasis Academy Clarksfield. Ms Talib will be continuing to work remotely.

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Please remember the following so that we can keep everyone in the Academy and at home safe.

It is really important that you help school to implement these actions by following the advice set out below and wider public health advice and guidance.

Do not send your child to school if:

- they are showing [coronavirus \(COVID-19\) symptoms](#)
- someone in your household is showing symptoms

[Arrange a test](#) if anyone in the house has symptoms and inform us of the results.

If the test is positive, follow [guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus \(COVID-19\) infection](#), and engage with the NHS Test and Trace process.

Regards

Mrs Crew