



## Reminder to continue to follow guidance, including not having birthday parties

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am delighted that we have been able to have welcome students back on site this week. On site education is vital, not just for learning but for our children's mental health too.

For more information about returning to school visit our web page at [School arrangements - back to school \(COVID-19\) \(leicester.gov.uk\)](https://www.leicester.gov.uk/school-arrangements-back-to-school-covid-19/).

I would like to remind you that whilst schools are open to students we still have to follow the national guidelines. These restrictions are in place to protect you and your loved ones and reduce the spread of coronavirus.

- You are not allowed to mix indoors with anyone that you don't live with, this includes birthday parties and play dates etc.
- You are only allowed to meet with one other person from another household in an outdoor space

This is in addition to the key public health advice of washing your hands frequently, wearing a face covering where necessary, and maintaining social distancing; we must all continue to stay at home as much as possible.

For more details of the Government's roadmap and the indicative dates go to the government's website [COVID-19 Response - Spring 2021 - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/roadmaps/covid-19)

Please remember that these dates are not fixed and can change if the coronavirus situation doesn't change or gets worse.

I would like to thank you for following the guidelines so far. I know that this hasn't been easy for any of us and we all want to get back to some kind of normal life. If we continue to follow the guidelines and do not meet up for just a little while longer then our hopes of a normal summer can become reality.

Yours faithfully

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