

26th February 2021

Dear Families,

I hope that you and your loved ones are all well. It has been lovely to welcome your children back to school after the half term break and, if your child is still at home, please know that we are thinking of them. As always, please do not hesitate to get in touch if there is anything we can do to support them, or you, further.

If your child is currently at home and you would like them to return to school on 8th March, please let your child's class teacher know and if your child is currently attending school on a part-time basis and you would like them to attend on a full-time basis from 8th March, please also let your child's class teacher know. For those families whose children have been advised to continue to shield at home, we will continue to keep in touch with you personally with regards to home support.

As promised in previous letters, we will continue to update you on a weekly basis should any of our pupils or staff receive a positive COVID-19 test result across the school. We will of course inform you immediately if your child is directly affected. I can confirm that, since last Friday, and for the third week running, we have had **no positive cases** at Riverside School, on any site. I am also pleased to say that all the tests administered through our weekly asymptomatic testing programme for staff across our three sites have been negative.

So, as next Monday heralds the first day of spring, traditionally symbolising new life, what better time to look forward with hope and optimism to brighter days ahead. At Riverside School, we know that fun and friendships will continue to blossom and the sounds of joy and laughter will continue to ring out in every classroom. Your children are wonderful; we love spending time with them and we hope they love their time with us. And keeping in this spirit, we hope you enjoy our latest film, The Secondary Valentine's Celebration, which can be viewed [HERE](#).

Have a good weekend and with very best wishes,



Steve Solomons
Headteacher