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Dear parents and carers,

I hope you are well and that you have had a good summer.

As we prepare for the start of term I thought it was important to contact you to outline how we have adapted to the government guidance on full re-opening schools. Today I have written to all parents of Fitzharrys students, attached is a copy of the letter. This outlines how things will work and the changes we have made.

However, we understand that many of the adaptations we have made will not be changes for your son or daughter. Therefore I wanted to reassure you that on their first day, we will have a number of steps in place to ensure students have the best start possible. Some of the steps we have in place include:

- Students will be welcomed at the drive as they arrive into school, they should then come to reception and into the hall for a short assembly and to meet their tutors.
- Period 1 on the first day will be spent with their tutors. For periods 2-5 they will have normal lessons.
- There is a clear and distinct social space for year 7s, which includes the library and memorial garden. They will also have space on the grass and a basketball court to use for ball games.
- Due to Covid-19 bubbles, we will not be able to have our normal buddies in place. Please be assured there will be plenty of staff on duty and available to direct students to lessons.

There are a couple of other reminders for the first day:

- Students should arrive in full uniform, including the Fitzharrys blazer and tie.
- All students should bring their PE kit on the first day, as many of the students have PE. They will be able to leave the kit somewhere safe if they do not have PE.
- They should remember to bring money for the canteen if they plan to buy food.

Lastly, please allay any concerns or worries your child may have. Though there is some change to how school runs, they will still be getting great lessons and support from our staff. We have been working hard over the summer to get things ready and are looking forward to welcoming them into school.

Please do contact us if there are any questions.

Yours sincerely,

Will Speke  
Head of School

