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Dear Parents/Carers,

RE: Full opening for students this term

I hope this letter finds you and your family well.

You will be aware that the government published their full opening guidance to schools earlier this week. Since receiving the guidance on Tuesday I have been working hard with senior leaders to formulate plans for the week beginning 8th March. This is an enormous task as it involves mass testing but we are keen to welcome back all of our students in a safe and planned way. You will be receiving a letter regarding asymptomatic testing tomorrow. Please give this letter your close attention and respond within the deadline to assist us with our planning. Those parents who have already given their consent to testing will not need to respond.

I'm in no doubt that this new phase in easing of the lockdown and return to school will be welcomed by some and unsettling for others. I will be in a position to share our plans and the associated risk assessments next week.

A virtual parents' meeting is planned for Tuesday 2nd March at 5:00pm to go through the details. To access this meeting please use this link - <u>https://mhsch.uk/parentsmeeting</u>. During this meeting you will have an opportunity to ask questions. A recording of this meeting will be available on the following day for those parents who are unable to join us due to work or a prior commitment.

Finally, thank you to all parents who have contacted the school to commend us on our remote learning offer throughout lockdown. We were ambitious in our plans compared with other local schools and we have very much appreciated parents taking the time to acknowledge this.

Thank you for your continued support and patience at this difficult time.

Warm regards,

Mrs K Grewal-Joy Headteacher

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