



# Cloudside Academy

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Dear Parents, Carers, Children, Staff, Governors and Friends of Cloudside,

As you will be aware, the government announced yesterday that school will reopen to all pupils on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2021.

I wanted to write to you to reassure you we have been preparing for this and are confident that the school will be ready and safe to welcome pupils back in two weeks time.

We will continue with our COVID19 safety measure and ask that you support us with these by:-

- Following the one way system and maintaining social distancing.
- Minimising the number of people we have on site i.e. only one person on site when dropping off or collecting pupils.
- Please wear a mask at all times when on the school site.
- If you, your child or a member of your family show symptoms please inform us, isolate and book a test in line with government guidelines.
- If you need to contact school please refrain from coming into the office and either call or email [info@cloudsideacademy.co.uk](mailto:info@cloudsideacademy.co.uk) or message on schoolcomms.

We in turn will:-

- Continue with twice weekly testing of staff to identify any asymptomatic carriers.
- Increase cleaning on site.
- Maintain 'bubbles'.
- Carry out frequent and regular hand washing and sanitising for all.
- Continue with remote learning for those pupils who are isolating because of confirmed COVID19 in the family or those who are awaiting results from tests.

We know that these last few weeks have been challenging for everyone, however, it is now hoped we will have a clear direction back to a more normal way of working and living.

The staff and myself have been really impressed with the way pupils have adapted to remote learning, but we are aware that the return on 8<sup>th</sup> March may be difficult for some. So with this in mind here are some top tips from an education consultant to help prepare for the changes.

1. Establish regular sleep patterns – research shows many pupil have been staying up and getting up later and are tired when they do get up.
2. Get children up washed and breakfasted as if they are going to school – this will help establish regular routines.
3. Split the day up as if it were a regular school day – i.e. have a mid-morning break, a fixed lunchtime and a clear end to their school day.

Obviously these are only suggestions, please use them or not for your beautiful children.



We are really excited to have our school fully open and full of children ready and eager to learn.

Thank you all for your support; both myself and the staff are truly grateful for all the effort you have put in helping us and your children during this challenging time. I will of course, keep you updated should guidance change.

Thank you once again for your support.

Best wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Susan Wass', with a stylized, cursive flourish at the end.

**Susan Wass**  
**Head of School**

