



Tuesday 23rd February 2021

Dear Woodberry Down Families,

### **Re: Wider School Reopening**

I would like to thank you for the wonderful support you have given and the words of kindness you have expressed over the last few months. We have a great team of dedicated staff, but nothing could have been achieved without your unstinting support and goodwill. Thank you.

Yesterday, the Prime Minister outlined the much anticipated roadmap which he stated will guide us 'cautiously but irreversibly' out of lockdown. We are delighted with the news that **all children are returning to school on the 8th March** to see their friends, teachers and get back to the joyful rhythm of the school day.

We are currently finalising the plans for this full return. Many of the safety procedures included will be familiar to you. As with the wider reopening in September, we are working closely with Hackney Education to develop and refresh our procedures to reduce the risk of transmission.

Supporting all pupils to bridge any gaps in their academic learning, and providing them with the emotional and social support they need will be at the forefront of our plans. As ever, we are once more going to need your support to achieve these aims.

To enable staff to make careful preparations for the return of all pupils on the 8th March, there will be some inevitable changes to our online provision. Next week we will reduce the number of live lessons to one session per day, the timings of which will be shared with you later this week.

Mr Hewie will be writing to you in the coming days with a more detailed plan of how the wider reopening will work and our plans to support our children back into school. Until then, once again, thank you for your ongoing and invaluable support.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nicole Reid".

Ms Nicole Reid  
Executive Headteacher