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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to Term 4 - I hope you all had a relaxing half term, with the children being able to have some time away from their screens, before resuming remote learning for two weeks.

As I am sure you are aware by now, following the Government announcement yesterday, all pupils in England are expected to return to school from **Monday 8**th **March**. It is the parents' duty to ensure their child's regular attendance at school, (where the child is a registered pupil at school and they are of compulsory school age).

Self-isolation and shielding: There may be a small number of pupils who will still be unable to attend school in line with public health advice to **self-isolate**, due to one of the following statutory reasons:

- they have symptoms of COVID-19 or have had a positive test result
- they live with someone who has symptoms of COVID-19 or has tested positive and are a household contact
- they are a close contact of someone who has coronavirus (COVID-19)

Please contact the school if your child falls into one of these three categories. office@thamesviewprimary.medway.sch.uk

There may also be children who have been confirmed as clinically extremely vulnerable (CEV) and advised to **shield** and stay at home until further notice. If this is the case, please could you forward a copy of the shielding letter sent to CEV children, to the school office <u>as soon as possible</u>. Thank you.

Children who are self-isolating or shielding due to one of the reasons outlined above are required to <u>continue engaging in remote learning</u> in line with government legislation, except if they are themselves unwell.

We are currently receiving clarification on the guidance for the return of all children on the 8th March, but expect the arrangements at Thames View to very closely match those that were implemented at the beginning of this academic year. I will write to you again next week to remind you of those arrangements and highlight any changes if required.

In the meantime continue to take care and stay safe.

Best regards

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Mrs Deanne Daburn Head of School

