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Dear Parent/Carer

I hope that this letter finds you and your family well and that you are managing to enjoy some of the well needed sunshine. All of our students have once again conducted themselves admirably last half term, embracing all of the changes that have been made in the Academy to keep them safe and adapting to the different way of learning. We would also like to thank you for your continued support.

We are really conscious that our students have not been able to participate fully in the wide range of subjects that we offer at Abbey Grange due to some of the restrictions that have been placed on movement around the Academy. We are therefore delighted to let you know that from Monday 14 June, both teachers and students will be returning to all specialised classrooms for the delivery of their lessons. However, in order to facilitate this safely, we will need students to wear masks in communal areas outside classrooms where social distancing cannot be maintained. Students will also need to keep to the left of the corridors and walk quickly and quietly to their next classroom in order to keep everyone Covid safe.

We will also continue to focus on attendance and positive behaviour rewards during the last few weeks of the academic year. The impact on learning of being late to school or periods of absence can be keenly felt, particularly at times such as these. The perseverance and resilience it requires to maintain 100% attendance is a true sign of our Abbey character and something that we want to celebrate.

All of the hard work which was put into our risk assessment, and plans to keep everyone safe, have been worthwhile. However, it is important to remain vigilant and we encourage you to continue to use the home testing kits. Any student with a positive at-home test result will need to self-isolate immediately in line with government guidance and arrange a PCR test to confirm the positive lateral flow test result. It would be very much appreciated if you could also inform school of any positive results by contacting the main office on 0113 2757877 or by emailing Miss Wood (Attendance Officer) directly: twood@abbeygrangeacademy.

Yours faithfully

Mrs Jennifer Thornton
Acting Principal

