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## Dear Parent/Carer

We are so delighted that the government announced yesterday that schools will reopen on 8 March 2021. We have missed all of our students very much and we are happy that we can finally have everyone back under The Birley Academy roof.

As a team, we are now looking at the government guidance and waiting for some more specific information around the mass testing programme of pupils as well as the additional extra safety measures. Once these have been released then we will be in a position to finalise our plans - including reviewing our risk assessment.

I will then be in touch with you again to give you the details of when your child will return to school as well as any changes that they might find in place.

We know that schools will not be 'normal' for a while but being open and working face to face with our pupils is a huge step in the right direction.

Yours faithfully

Gina Newton Headteacher









