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Dear Parents and Carers

We have enjoyed an excellent return to school following the lockdown and I would like to extend my thanks for your support in ensuring that our high standards and expectations are being met by our students. Spring term has been a term of two halves – going from lockdown to full reopening, with the return of the bubble structure and our stringent COVID-19 protocols for all. We are proud of the ongoing resilience and determination demonstrated by our students throughout this challenging time.

Uniform

Upon our return to school, the weather will be warmer so we will revert to our traditional uniform policy and coats will not be allowed to be worn at all inside of the building. Upon the return from lockdown, we understood that shops were shut and allowed students to wear coats of any style and colour. Please may I remind you that the uniform policy states 'plain, dark colours'. Brightly coloured coats, body warmers/gilets and hoodies are not suitable.

LFT Home Testing Kits

All students have been provided with sufficient COVID-19 home testing kits which they should continue to use twice weekly during the Easter holiday. We have previously shared information with you regarding home testing, and this information still applies, including the reporting of the results of the tests to school. Information can be viewed on the school website: https://www.st-wilfrids.org/school-life/covid-19-self-test-information/

Contact tracing over the Easter holidays

We have been asked by the DfE to continue to provide contact tracing information over the Easter holidays. We are therefore asking that you email admin@st-wilfrids.org immediately should your child test positive for COVID-19 in a PCR test.

Key Dates

Last day of the Spring Term is Thursday 1 April, with an early finish time of 12.30pm.

Summer term begins with all students returning to school on Monday 19 April. They will follow a Week 1 timetable.

With warm wishes from all of the staff at St Wilfrid's for a peaceful and relaxing Easter break.

Kind regards

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Mrs Ritchie

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