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Dear Parents and Carers

I would just like to say a huge thank you for your support with all of the new procedures we have had to put in place to ensure we are following government safety guidelines for secondary schools returning this week. There have been so many modified procedures, including:

- Adjustments to lesson times, including the different start and finish times
- New lunch arrangements
- Attendance arrangements and administration
- Curriculum changes
- Health and Safety arrangements

We know we have not got everything right, but we are working hard to ensure we learn and improve things every day through continuously reviewing what we are doing to keep the students as safe as possible. We have really appreciated parental patience and direct contact with the school with any concerns. We have been able to make changes where possible from constructive parental feedback relayed directly to the school. Please remember you are able to contact the school through:

School Reception	01482 342229	
Email	info@kelvinhall.net	
Year 7	01482 496735	Miss Lowthorpe
Year 8	01482 496733	Miss Haldenby
Year 9	01482 496736	Mrs Sullivan
Year 10	01482 496734	Mrs Ford-Bentham
Year 11	01482 496737	Mrs Clay
Attendance	01482 496729 or 01482 496700	
Student reception	01482 496746 or 496747	

I cannot believe how smartly presented and well-prepared the students have been on their return to school. That is a real credit to you, and your continued support for your child and the school. Thank you so much for this.

I will at times have to remind parents of the guidelines from the Government related to coronavirus.

The main symptoms of coronavirus are:

- A high temperature – this means that you may also feel hot to touch on your chest or back.
- A new, continuous cough – this means coughing a lot more than an hour, or 3 or more coughing episodes in 24 hours (if you usually have a cough it, it may be worse than usual).
- A loss or change to your sense of smell or taste – this means you have noticed you cannot smell or taste anything, or things smell or taste different to normal.

Most people with coronavirus have at least one of these symptoms.

Students must not come into school if they have coronavirus symptoms, or have tested positive in at least the last 10 days. Students should self-isolate if a member of their household has coronavirus symptoms. Anyone developing symptoms during the school day will be sent home. Anyone with symptoms of coronavirus should get a test. Tests can be booked online through the NHS testing and tracing for coronavirus website. Please inform the school immediately of any test results.

If someone tests negative, if they feel well and no longer have symptoms similar to coronavirus (COVID-19), they can stop self-isolating. They could still have another virus, such as a cold or flu – in which case it is still best to avoid contact with other people until they are better. Other members of their household can stop self-isolating.

If someone tests positive, they should follow the 'stay at home: guidance for households with possible or confirmed coronavirus (COVID-19) infection' and must continue to self-isolate for at least 10 days from the onset of their symptoms and then return to school only if they do not have symptoms other than cough or loss of sense of smell/taste. This is because a cough or anosmia can last for several weeks once the infection has gone. The 10-day period starts from the day when they first became ill. If they still have a high temperature, they should keep self-isolating until their temperature returns to normal. Other members of their household should continue self-isolating for the full 14 days.

On confirmation of a positive test, the school will be in contact with the local health protection team and follow their advice regarding any self-isolation measures that need to be put into practice for those who are defined as having close contact with the confirmed case. We will keep parents and staff informed.

Yours sincerely



Mr P Cavanagh
Executive Headteacher