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Dear Parents/Carers

### **Schools/UTC Re-opening – from 8 March 2021**

We are delighted that government have announced that all children will return to face-to-face education from the 8 March 2021. Attendance will now be mandatory so it is important that parents/carers appreciate the importance of ensuring their child attends school regularly.

The return to secondary school/UTC will be phased in to allow for asymptomatic testing prior to return. Hungerhill Schools and Doncaster UTC have managed to set up testing from as early as next week so that children can be in lessons from the 8 March 2021. Your son's /daughter's Headteacher/Principal will be sending you the details of the return to school/UTC.

#### **Primary Schools**

Primary school pupils will return to school on the 8 March 2021. Pupils of a primary age will not be tested for Covid-19.

Staff in our primary schools will continue to be offered twice weekly home test kits.

#### **Secondary Schools including Doncaster UTC**

Before secondary school students return to face-to-face education they will be offered lateral flow tests in their school/UTC. We are keen to ensure that our school communities are as safe as possible and we need the support of all our parents/carers to ensure this happens quickly.

Hungerhill School and Doncaster UTC will contact parents directly to confirm the testing programme and the subsequent phased return. Following the return to school/UTC staff and students will be offered twice weekly home test kits and will be asked to complete and return a weekly electronic form to identify any positive tests.

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Although testing is voluntary, we have been impressed by the positive response from our parents/carers who recognise that, in order to keep our children and staff safe and reduce the transmission of the virus, the tests need to be undertaken by the whole school population. As a Trust we absolutely support the testing programme and recognise it is the fastest way to help us return to some normality for all those in our community. We are mindful that our children and young people have missed out in so many ways over the last few months and we are keen to provide the safe, learning environment which will facilitate far less disruption to learning.

### **Additional Safety Measures.**

Alongside the asymptomatic testing, our schools/UTC will put in additional safeguarding measures which will be reflected in their risk assessments (please see school/UTC websites for further details).

In secondary schools/UTC students will be asked to wear face coverings in all areas of the school, including classrooms where social distancing cannot be maintained. This will apply to all students unless there is evidence of a medical condition.

### **Getting to School**

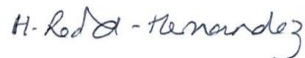
- Wear school uniform
- Only one member of the household to bring the child to school
- Maintain social distancing
- Students should wear a face mask in school/UTC – Year 7 and above. Masks should also be worn on public transport
- Parents should not enter the school unless for a pre-arranged meeting

### **Privacy and Personal Data**

Our approach to testing and the privacy statement regarding personal data collected through the process is available on the Brighter Futures Trust Learning Partnership website. Schools will continue to contact you to complete the relevant consent forms. Testing will be voluntary and free of charge.

If you have any queries about the use of data, you should contact your Headteacher/Principal.

Yours sincerely



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