

HUNSDON JMI SCHOOL

Dear Parents/Carers,

A very warm welcome back to the Spring Term! On behalf of the staff of Hunsdon School may I wish you all a Happy New Year and thank you for the many cards and presents we received. It was a difficult end to the term and I know that we all felt quite emotional by your generosity and kind words and thoughts.

As I'm sure you know, government rules around Covid isolation have changed. If you test positive for Covid you can be released on day 8 of isolation provided you have negative lateral flow tests on day 6 and 7 (they must be 24 hours apart). Consequently, we're adapting our approach to reflect this change and so will also welcome back your children on day 8.

There are no real changes to the way we have been asked to work in school. We'll just be making sure we have as much ventilation as we can manage, as that's the only mitigation we have in primary schools. Any adult coming into school will be asked to wear a mask unless exempt. This includes parents coming into school to talk to somebody in the school office. Sadly, this means that we won't be having any mass gatherings with parents in school while case numbers are so high.

Finally, I would like to thank so many of you for helping to keep our staff safe by wearing masks and by clearing the school grounds as quickly as possible, but this must continue this term. We did so well, right up until the final 48 hours last term, and I'm crossing everything that we'll get right to the end of the shorter Spring Term!

There are a number of events written in pencil in our diaries, and I'll send these out to you when they are confirmed next week.

These are *interesting* times, but I know that by continuing to work together we can make it work.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "J. Millward". The signature is written in a cursive style with a small dot at the end.

Mr. J. Millward  
Head teacher