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Dear parents and carers,

I hope that I find you well and that you are enjoying the Christmas Holidays.

I am sure that you are aware that the Prime Minister and Secretary of State of Education updated us all on Tier 4 and the reopening of schools next week. As Headteachers, we found out the same time as everyone else – we continue not to be forewarned about any changes being made. I can confirm that The Grove will reopen as planned on Tuesday 5th January 2021 after our staff training day on Monday 4th January 2021.

Despite being in Tier 4, we do not need to make any changes to the way we operate inside the school. Our risk assessment is still fit for purpose and we will be continuing to:

- 1) Sanitise our hands regularly throughout the day.
- 2) Maintain our increased cleaning of contact points and frequently used areas of the school (for example the toilets).
- 3) Stagger our start and end of the day (as we did throughout the Autumn Term)
- 4) Ensure that we maintain social distancing between adults.

The one tweak we would like to make is that when you wish to speak to us at the start or the end of the day, please could you wear a face covering or maintain the 2m social distance? We will have face coverings with us which we will put on during the conversation with you. This is just an added layer of protection for us all during this time.

The team are looking forward to seeing everyone next week and I would like to wish you all a very Happy New Year.

Stay safe.

Miss Elspeth Shaw