

11th October 2020

Dear Students,

I am writing to check in with you as I know some of you may be anxious about returning tomorrow. Please can I reassure you that school will continue as normal and we have taken precautions necessary to minimise the risk of covid within our community.

If you feel more comfortable wearing a mask now, we encourage you to do so. We will be gaining student voice over the next week to understand why the majority of you haven't wanted to do this despite us encouraging you from the start of the term. It is important we understand your views on this. We will also be asking your parents for their views on this as we want them to be included in our decision making as a school.

If you feel anxious in school tomorrow, please do talk to your Tutor, Progress Support Assistant or Director of Student Progress. You can also mention this to any teacher who can then pass on your concerns. We have the support email talktous@willingdonschool.org.uk if you feel more comfortable emailing us about your worries then one of us can find you for a conversation.

There are things you can also do to ensure you are minimising the risk of the spread of infection. This includes social distancing from staff and students where possible. When you are playing, ensure you are not touching another student. We know how hard it is for many of you to remember this and ensure you are following these steps but they are recommended for a reason and many of our students will feel more comfortable if you take greater care to this advice.

We look forward to welcoming you back tomorrow.

Best wishes

Ms Beer
Headteacher