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RETURNING TO SCHOOL THIS WEEK

Dear Parents and Carers

We hope you are safe and well, and that you managed to enjoy the festive season and have had the happiest possible new year. We have all been following the news over the past few days, wondering what the government would say about the re-opening of primary schools in Tier 4 areas, following the decision to move some areas to remote learning.

We are both writing to inform you that in light of an evolving situation regarding scientific advice, unknown staffing levels and guidance from the city council received today, we have made the difficult decision to implement the following changes to the start of term.

The Fairisle Schools will be closed to all children tomorrow and Tuesday so we can respond to unforeseen staff changes as well as plan and prepare remote learning across all classes. We have decided to cancel the staff training day that was planned for Friday 12th February and use this as one of the days this week to help prepare.

We will then open only to vulnerable children and those whose parents are critical workers from Wednesday 6th January. Both schools have lists of critical workers. Please notify the school office if your situation has changed and provide the relevant evidence.

Parents whose children are considered vulnerable and parents who are critical workers will be contacted by phone tomorrow. We will also let you know the start and finish times as well as which entrances to use.

We realise that this is extremely short notice and may cause inconvenience for some of you. For this we are truly sorry but hope you can understand the difficulties we are facing.

Yours sincerely

Peter Howard

Susanne Ottens



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