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Dear Parents and carers,

Back in January, I wrote to you all asking that we focus 'on the light at the end of the tunnel'. That tunnel has been a long and dreary one indeed and whilst we are approaching the light at the end of it, it is still a little way off. So maintaining a sense of hope and partnership together is just as important as we move into the next phase of beating this pandemic.

On the 22<sup>nd</sup> February the government set out their road map for exiting Lockdown and we are excited that the first step is for all students to return to school from 8<sup>th</sup> March. At Marish Academy Trust, we will continue to follow the guidance provided by the government to ensure that we can safely get all students back into school. In fact, this guidance is very similar to the guidance that schools had in the autumn term and we are confident that the risk to pupils and staff can be minimised, while ensuring that all pupils can access the high quality face to face learning that is vital to their continued achievement and wellbeing.

Throughout this lockdown, we have remained open for some students and so we are well prepared for the full opening and return of the rest of our students. Whilst we have also continued to offer remote learning for students who have been unable to attend school, either through our online offer or with printed work packs, we are aware that some students have struggled to access learning at home. If your child has struggled to learn from home, the government guidance states that they should return immediately, so please send them in.

Over the next week, we will be sending out further information including any changes to drop off and collection points for each year group. Please remember to book your child's lunches online, along with any childcare or after school provision in the usual way before they return to school.

We look forward seeing all our students back in school and meeting many of you, face to face, suitably socially distanced of course. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs H. G Denham, Executive Headteacher, Marish Academy Trust













